

NORTHFIELD

1967 ANNUAL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF

Officers and Committees

OF THE TOWN OF

NORTHFIELD

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1967

Printed by the Enterprise and Journal, Orange, Mass.

Elected Town Officers

March 1967 to March 1968

MODERATOR

Corys M. Heselton

TOWN CLERK

Horace F. Field

TREASURER

Helen B. Gorzocoski

SELECTMEN

Herbert H. Streeter	Term expires March 1968
Dwight P. Stearns, Chairman	Term expires March 1969
Stanley J. Powers	Term expires March 1970

ASSESSORS

Roger Greenwood	Term expires March 1968
Robert P. Barnes, Chairman	Term expires March 1969
Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires March 1970

TAX COLLECTOR

Gordon W. Leavis	Term expires March 1968
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Elizabeth L. Bolton, Chairman	Term expires March 1968
Frank Rockwell	Term expires March 1969
Wallace Stange	Term expires March 1970

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Charles W. Llewelyn	Term expires March 1969
Carolyn B. Parenteau	Term expires March 1970

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Dorothy L. Miller	Term expires March 1968
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1968
John Trumbull	Term expires March 1969
Margaret L. Jones	Term expires March 1969
Evelyn Parker	Term expires March 1970
William H. Hawley	Term expires March 1970

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Horace F. Field	Term expires March 1968
Richard Bassett	Term expires March 1969
Owen Stacey	Term expires March 1970

TREE WARDEN

Joseph Bilmon	Term expires March 1970
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CONSTABLES

Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires March 1968
Niles E. Stone	Term expires March 1968
William J. Young	Term expires March 1968
Clesson Field, Jr.	Term expires March 1968

PLANNING BOARD

Harold Newton	Term expires March 1968
David Quinn	Term expires March 1969
Gerald Barnes	Term expires March 1970
James Dresser	Term expires March 1971
Ross L. Spencer, Jr.	Term expires March 1972

APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chester Hooper	Term expires March 1968
Harvey Hatheway	Term expires March 1968
Paul Mayberry, Chairman	Term expires March 1969
Arthur Gleason	Term expires March 1969
Helen Stearns	Term expires March 1970
Albert W. Stompe	Term expires March 1970

REPRESENTATIVE TO ATHOL-FRANKLIN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Alberta Weissinger	Term expires March 1968
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Appointments by Selectmen for 1968

ACCOUNTANT

Ann P. James

Term expires July

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Howard E. Williams

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Eugene Miller

Philip Mann, Jr.

Paul Carpenter

ACTING POLICE CHIEF

Stanley T. Wickey

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Joseph G. Morgan

Clesson Field

Niles E. Stone

Harold F. Bigelow, Jr.

William J. Young

Albert Weissinger

Gerald Hicks

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Albert Weissinger

Term expires April 1968

GYPSY MOTH AGENT

Joseph S. Bilmon

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.

Edward Dwight

Robert L. Huber

Edward Burniske

Leon H. Dunnell

Cominick Ferrante

Frank F. Kelley

Donald Smith

James McCollister

Dorothy Bogusz

INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND SLAUGHTERING

Leonard W. Barnes

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Gilbert S. Hammond

Term expires April 1968

FIELD DRIVERS

James E. Dresser, Jr.

Robert L. Gibson

Fredd M. Fuller

Martin Fritz

Edward C. Bolton

Paul Gorzocoski

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER

James E. Dresser

DOG OFFICER
William Young

FOREST WARDEN
Joseph S. Bilmon

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Laurence M. Hammond	Term expires 1968
Clayton H. Glazier	Term expires 1969
Luman Barber	Term expires 1970

ELECTION OFFICERS

James R. Dale	Helen M. Stearns
Helen Greene	Harrison Stacy
Flora C. Abbey	Ann P. James
Catherine Gilbert	Edward M. Powell, Jr.

SUBSTITUTE ELECTION OFFICERS

Mychaeline Skinner	Delores R. Avery
Mary L. Holton	Edith Smolen

1968 Jury List

Warner H. Smith	Owen Stacey
Albert W. Stompe	Edwin Finch
Peter Leyden	John C. Reed, Jr.
Gerald R. Barnes	Dean W. Williams
Julia A. Quinn	Ernest A. Clark
William J. Black	Charles H. Johnson, Jr.
Wayne R. Billings	Chester Hooper
Ernest C. Howard	Martha L. Jones
Robert T. Thompson	Viola T. Williams
Alden F. Edson	Fred A. Avery

Selectmen's Report for 1967

The Board of Selectmen held their first official meeting of 1967 on March 6th. The organization of the Board was as follows: Dwight P. Stearns, Chairman; Stanley J. Powers, Clerk; Herbert H. Streeter, Representative to the Franklin Welfare District. Mrs. Phyllis Whitney was appointed secretary to the Board; Stanley Wickey, Acting Chief of Police; Howard Williams, Fire Chief; Albert Weissinger, Road Superintendent; Attorney Burton Winer, Town Counsel.

Selectmen's meetings were held every Monday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Town Hall for approval of bills for payment, the granting of licenses and permits, and for transaction of any business brought before the Board.

Highlights of 1967 include:

Need for new truck for Highway Dept.; also small pickup truck. Recommend funds for purchase of trucks to be taken from Road Machinery Fund. Granting of wage increases to Highway Dept.

Appointed to Board of Appeals on protective regulations for the town were: Gerald Barnes, Harold Newton, David Quinn, Ross L. Spencer, Jr., and James Dresser, associate members.

Changes made in street lights on Winchester Road and Northfield Farms Road.

Order from State Building Inspector to remove or replace draperies from stage in Town Hall Auditorium. Draperies have been removed.

Order from State Dept. of Water Pollution that the town take steps to create a disposal system--to be completed by 1972.

Committee of five appointed by Selectmen to make a study of a disposal system and bring in a recommendation for consideration and any necessary action. Those appointed were: Harvey Hatheway, Carl Pelzel, Milton Cooper, Ross Spencer, Jr., and Stanley Powers.

Rebuilding of So. Cross Road from Route 63 to Old Farms Road, opposite Rice's, was performed by Western Mass. Electric Co., making for greater safety and convenience to all concerned.

Preliminary work for changes on Mount Hermon Station Road, such as hearings held with abutters and state representative, designing and land taking has been performed--work to be com-

pleted as weather permits.

Permits were issued for building of new homes this past year.

Work on pumped storage power project is being held up by F.P. C. However, much of preliminary work is being performed by the construction firm.

We wish to thank the many citizens who assisted the Selectmen in the performance of a service to the community.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS, Chairman
STANLEY J. POWERS
HERBERT H. STREETER

Board of Selectmen

Pollution Abatement Program

Sewage Disposal System

Town of Northfield

February 3, 1968

Report of Committee on Sewage Disposal Study:

On July 21, 1967, the selectmen of the town received a communication from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Water Resources Commission, Division of Water Pollution Control, informing the Town of Northfield that the town is discharging inadequately treated wastes into the waters of the Commonwealth. The town was given an implementation schedule, which calls for completion of construction of a sewage disposal facility and main interceptor sewers by April, 1972.

A committee was formed to study the problem and come forth with recommendations to the selectmen of the town as to ways to proceed and costs involved for the project. The communication from the Water Resources Commission required that a letter of intent from the town be written informing the department of the intent of the town to comply.

The committee wrote a letter of intent to comply on November, 18, 1967, and this was sent to the Water Resources Commission by the selectmen together with a report written by Tighe and Bond, engineers on a study conducted by this firm for the town in January of 1964. Since Tighe and Bond is a recognized sanitary engineering firm, and since they are thoroughly acquainted with the Northfield problems (i. e., the 1964 study) it was the recommendation of the committee to engage this firm for the new study. It will be necessary for the 1964 study to be updated since costs have increased and new specifications are in force due to classification of the Connecticut River for the Pollution Abatement Program. Tighe and Bond will notify this committee of the dollars involved to update the study. The town should find the funds to support the additional engineering work necessary, and then an intelligent appraisal of costs for the project can be made.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. PELZEL
Chairman of Committee

TOWN Town Clerk's Report

It is extremely important the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that any correction may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1967

Date	Name	Parents
January		
18	Weeks, Kelley Leora	Douglas G. & Pamella S.
February		
16	Shearer, Alison Deborah	Thomas R. & Patricia G.
17	Medeiros, Rosemary	Joseph & Rita B.
18	Morgan, Melissa Dawn	Daniel F. & Priscilla A.
24	Bechtel, Douglas Alan	Thomas F. & Doris J.
28	Chapman, John Leland	John M. & Mary J.
March		
22	Archambo, Kevin John	Benjamin L. & Elizabeth M.
April		
5	Wilsey, Daniel Arthur, Jr.	Daniel A. & Kathleen
5	Wilsey, Michael Todd	Daniel A. & Kathleen
8	Smith, Gail Susan	Warner H. & Jacqueline K.
26	McNamara, Wanda Maria	James G. & Wanda R.
May		
3	Marc Aurele, John Francis	Paul I. & Kathleen I.
9	Mann, Robert Alan	Jack G. & Angela E.
15	Llewelyn, Daniel Perry	Charles W., Jr. & Mary P.
June		
11	Cutler, Robert Eugene, Jr.	Robert E. & Barbara T.
July		
4	Hume, Richard Raymond	William A. & Marsha A.

August

19	Billiel, James Louis	Frederick J. & Helen C.
20	Markwell, Bonnie Lynn	Arnold R. & Jo Ann
26	O'Connell, Steven Short	John D. & Mary S.

September

3	Amsden, Heather Margaret	David N. & Eva M.
18	Rogers, David Robert	Robert N. & Helen M.

November

7	Reddy, David Brent	Wallace F., Jr. & Stephanie A.
10	Wesolowski, Infant	Henry & Carrie S.
24	Goller, Hilary Christine	Lawrence J. & Cynthia J.

December

16	Walker, Kimberly Ann	Richard J. & Arlene J.
22	Sprague, Christine Maria	Richard T. & Frances

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1967

Date	Name and Residence	Place Of Marriage
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January

✓ 28 Suhl, Kenneth Wellington; Shutesbury, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Bruso, Judith Ann; Northampton, Mass.

February

✓ 4 Lewis, Jerry Phillip; Northfield, Mass. Athol, Mass.
Beasley, Judith Ann; Athol, Mass.

✓ 18 LaBelle, David Allen; Northfield, Mass. Athol, Mass.
Fellows, Carol Lynn; Warwick, Mass.

March

✓ 28 Baldwin, Scott Keith; Northfield, Mass. Gill, Mass.
Roleau, Bette Sarah; New Haven, Vt.

April

✓ 8 Fogg, Gordon Franklin; York, Maine Bernardston, Mass.
Scott, Linda Elizabeth; Northfield, Mass.

✓ 14 Porter, William Henry; Northfield, Mass. Northampton, Mass.
L'Abbe, Barbara Ann (Tracy); Northfield, Mass.

✓ 15 Browning, Kendall Robert; Greenfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Moore, Roberta Rose; Greenfield, Mass.

✓ 15 Taylor, Roger Keith; Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Leonard, Gail Morgan; Northfield, Mass.

? no original record

✓ 13 marriages 0 intention

✓ May

✓ 5 Ross, Edmund Joseph; Northfield, Mass. Northampton, Mass.
McCarthy, Shirley Lee (Griggs); Bernardston, Mass.

✓ 7 Dean, Russell Frederick; North- Bernardston, Mass.
field, Mass.
Foster, Jill Dorothea; Bernardston, Mass.

✓ 20 Bowman, Frederic Howard; Erving, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Ross, Joyce Elaine; Erving, Mass.

✓ 27 Bogert, Hayden Munro; Short Hills Northfield, Mass.
New Jersey
Hurlbut, Nancy Jane; Northfield, Mass.

✓ June

✓ 2 Doolittle, Edward Everett; Northfield, Northfield, Mass.
Mass.
Hutchins, Ethel Theodora; Vernon, Vermont

✓ 6 Rubeor, Robert Roland; Northfield Northfield, Mass.
Mass.
Russell, Barbara Jean (Shedd); Northfield, Mass.

✓ 17 Congdon, George Harris; Wethers- Northfield, Mass.
field, Conn.
Eastman, Marcia Ann; Northfield, Mass.

✓ 17 Hayward, Ralph Andrew; West Town- Northfield, Mass.
send, Mass.
Bolduc, Lillian Mathilda (Swicker); Erving, Mass.

✓ 17 Leach, Peter Andrew; Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Whitney, Gail Irene; Bernardston, Mass.

✓ 17 Norvold, Robert Ove; Gill, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Hatheway, Jeanette; Northfield, Mass.

✓ 23 Goodwin, Daniel James; Northfield, Bernardston, Mass.
Mass.
Field, Betty Jean; Bernardston, Mass.

✓ 24 MacLeod, Robert Alexander; North- Greenfield, Mass.
field, Mass.
Bryant, Verle Louise; Greenfield, Mass.

✓ 24 Scott, Robert Allen; Northfield, Mass. Gill, Mass.
Nadeau, Marion Ann; Turners Falls, Mass.

July

- ✓ 1 Spencer, Winthrop Earle, Jr.; North- Northfield, Mass.
field, Mass.
Alconada, Barbara; Everett, Mass.
- ✓ 8 Field, James Williams; Northfield, Mass. Leyden, Mass.
Glabach Mary Louise; Leyden, Mass.
- ✓ 22 Adams, Stephen Arthur; Bernardston, Northampton, Mass.
Mass.
Livingstone, Karen Elaine; Northfield, Mass.

August

- ✓ 5 Young, Alfred William; Northfield, Mass. Holyoke, Mass.
Gilman, Norma Jean; Holyoke, Mass.
- ✓ 11 Hebert, Louis Joseph; Greenfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Perry, Donna Jeannine; Greenfield
- ✓ 12 Kervian, Raymond Francis, Jr.; North- Shelburne, Mass.
field, Mass.
Mirick, Georgann; Shelburne Falls, Mass.
- ✓ 12 Payson, Russell Henry; River Edge, Northfield, Mass.
New Jersey
Scherer, Linda Jane; Maywood, New Jersey
- ✓ 18 Rice, Malcolm Holmes; Northfield, Northfield, Mass.
Mass.
Boutwell, Marianne Ellen (Snow); Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 19 Judd, Thomas William; Turners, Falls, Northfield, Mass.
Mass.
Hammond, Gretchen Elizabeth; Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 26 Chamberlain, Thomas Anthony; West- Northfield, Mass.
lake, Ohio
Dow, Lynne Bradford; Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 26 Remillard, Francis Joseph; Gill, Mass. Turners Falls, Mass.
Clough, Marilyn Lou, Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 30 Baldwin, Charles Alexander Jr.; Gill, Mass.
Northfield, Mass.
Brookfield, Bette; Maywood, New Jersey
- ✓ 30 Fish, Prentice Albert; Gill, Mass. Gill, Mass.
Baldwin, Christie; Northfield, Mass.

✓ September

- ✓ 16 Laskoski, William Raymond; Green- Northfield, Mass.
field, Mass.
Gibson, Carolyn Annette; Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 23 Brown, Clark Bevan; Brooklyn Hgts., Northfield, Mass.
New York
Chalfant, Gail; Brooklyn Hgts., N. Y.
- ✓ 24 Hogblom, Anders Edward; Weatogue, Northfield, Mass.
Conn.
Carmichel, Betty Lou; Simsbury Conn.
- ✓ 25 McGuire, Earl Charles; Northfield, Gill, Mass.
Mass.
Fee, Ruth Eleanor (Kratz); Northfield, Mass.

✓ November

- ✓ 4 Powers, Richard Alan; Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Sullivan, Sharon Clrke; Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 18 Yeskoo, Richard Cornelius; Paterson, Northfield, Mass.
New Jersey
VanderVliet, Helen Wilhelmina; Hinsdale, N. H.
- ✓ 24 Siegel, Stephen Robert; New York, N. Y. Northfield, Mass.
Thompson, Sylvia Ann, New York, N. Y.
- ✓ 25 Lewis, Lloyd Andrew; Northfield, Mass. Winchendon, Mass.
Esselman, Elisabeth Anna (Rudolph); Athol, Mass.

✓ December

- ✓ 30 Miller, Norman Aiden; Hinsdale, Northfield, Mass.
New Hampshire
Smith, Paula Ann; Hinsdale, New Hampshire

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1967

Date	Name	Age		
		Years	Months	Days
December 1966				
16	White, Walter Wallace	23	9	
January				
5	Beers, Aimie Dresser	79	3	21
February				
21	Turner, Frank Sumner	64	4	12

March

6	Kempkes, Rhoda Lyman	79	1	11
19	Krejmas, John S.	75	2	24
27	Hyde, Walter Wadsworth	69	3	12

April

14	Stillman, Michael	88	5	17
27	Archambo, Maude Gilbert	82	5	16

May

5	Hurley, Mary E.	84	3	23
8	Connable, Lenora Griffin	90	0	8
10	King, Walter F.	72	7	17
19	Morrissey, Florence Arabelle Haskins	69	7	19
23	Zabko, Leo	57	10	25
26	Weeks, Annie Laurie	89	2	20

June

5	Newton, Berton Eugene	84	6	7
22	Higgins, Alexander Wesley	83	3	-

July

4	Pierce, Julia Elizabeth	61	0	14
21	Dean, Frank Wilton	62	10	17
28	Harriott, Elizabeth Oefinger	93	11	6

August

7	Higgins, Randlett Milo	84	9	14
16	Bellinger, Lettie	73	2	10
20	McCastline, Ethel H.	83	9	12
22	Fitzpatrick, Charles A.	72	10	23
31	Smith, Samuel Henry	89	9	23

September

11	Baker, Clayton H.	58	2	26
29	Hillock, George	75	8	19

October

25	McEwan, Sarah	83	10	26
29	Markley Naomi E.	76	0	7

December

1	Sytnik, Petronella Szewcuk	74	5	2
31	Andrew, Milford Bratton	71	2	1

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1967

Male Dogs	118
Female	11
Female (Spayed)	69
Special Kennel (\$10.00)	5
Special Kennel (\$25.00)	1

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1967

Resident Fishing	69
Resident Hunting	89
Resident Sporting	74
Resident Minor Fishing	32
Resident Women's Fishing	17
7-Day Non-Resident Fishing	3
Non-Resident Fishing	32
Alien Fishing	0
Resident Minor Trapping	0
Resident Trapping	0
Non-Resident Hunting	12
Archery Deer Stamp	7
Resident Sporting (Free)	21
Duplicate	11
Resident Citizen's Fishing (Free)	3

OTHER LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED IN 1967

Alcohol (Methyl)	0
Auctioneer	2
Auctioneer (Temporary)	2
Common Victualler	4
Gasoline	6
Innholder	1
Junk	0
Milk	2
Oleomargarine	0

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 6 and 7, 1967

The polls were opened at ten A.M. and closed at eight P.M. and it was determined that 338 votes had been cast with the following results.

Town Clerk, one year	
Horace F. Field	320
Blanks	18
Town Treasurer, one year	
Helen B. Gorzocoski	320
Blanks	18
Tax Collector, one year	
Gordon W. Leavis	299
Blanks	39
Selectman, three years	
Stanley J. Powers	284
Blanks	54
Assessor for three years	
Lee H. Sheldon	304
Blanks	34
Town Moderator, one year	
Corys M. Heselton	321
Blanks	17
School Committee, three years	
Wallace E. Stange	190
Kenneth H. Walker	147
Blanks	1
PVRS Committee, three years	
Carolyn B. Parenteau	311
Blanks	27
Cemetery Commissioner, three years	
Owen Stacey	316
Blanks	22
Library Trustees (2) three years each	
William H. Hawley	273
Evelyn H. Parker	299
Blanks	104
Planning Board Member, five years	
Ross L. Spencer, Jr.	309
Blanks	29
Tree Warden, three years	
Joseph Bilmon	321
Blanks	17

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed, to be reopened on Tuesday, March 7, 1967, in accordance with the Warrant.

Attest: Horace F. Field
Town Clerk

COPY OF THE VOTES TAKEN AT THE
ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 7, 1967

Approximately 75 persons assembled in accordance with the Warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the Annual Town Meeting. Mr. Corys M. Heselton, Moderator, call the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. An invocation was given and the reading of the Record was waived. James R. Dale and Helen M. Stearns were appointed to serve as tellers. Consideration of the articles in the Warrant resulted in the following action:

Article 1. VOTED: To take no action on the reports as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. VOTED: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1967; and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning , 1/1/67.

Article 3. VOTED: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. VOTED: That the Moderator read the amounts recommended by the Finance Committee as salaries of elected officials, and also read the totals of all other amounts recommended by the Finance Committee to be raised and appropriated under this article, and unless objection is made, each item recommended in the report of the Finance Committee shall be tentatively accepted as appropriated for the purpose stated. If objection is made to any recommendation such appropriation shall be taken up separately and the amount thereof and the manner of raising the same shall be determined by vote of the meeting and tentatively accepted, and after all appropriations have been tentatively accepted, one vote shall be taken appropriating each amount so accepted as a single appropriation, not to be exceeded.

VOTED: That the salary of each elected official for the calendar year 1967 be fixed at the amount hereafter appropriated therefor.

VOTED: That all appropriations having been tentatively accepted one vote be taken appropriating each amount accepted as a single appropriation not to be exceeded.

Moderator Salary	\$ 25.00
Moderator Expense	15.00
Finance Comm. Expense	125.00
Selectmen Salaries	1475.00
Selectmen's Expense	600.00
Town Accountant Salary	1200.00
Town Accountant Expense	85.00
Treasurer, Salary	1200.00
Treasurer, Expense	500.00
Tax Collector, Salary	1200.00
Tax Collector, Expense	800.00
Foreclosure Costs Tax Title	500.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00
Assessors, Salaries	1475.00
Assessors, Expense	500.00
Town Clerk, Salary	750.00
Town Clerk Expense	100.00
Legal Expense	350.00
Election & Registration	1000.00
Planning Board Exp.	200.00
Town Hall Maintenance	6000.00
Constable, Sp. Police Pay Expense and Equipment	2400.00
Fence Viewers, Field Drivers and Pound Keeper	25.00
Fire Dept. Salaries	500.00
Fire Dept. Operation Account	4500.00
Public Safety	50.00
Highway Superintendent Expense	200.00
Highway Dept. Sick Leave, Vacation & Holidays	1600.00
Tools for Highway work	400.00
Snow Removal	9000.00
Highways, Bridges, & Railings	3000.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys & Street List	350.00
Sidewalks	500.00
Street Lighting	6600.00
Land Damage	100.00
Welfare Board Salaries	275.00
Soldiers' Relief	2400.00
School Committee Salaries	375.00
PVRS Committee Salaries	375.00
Elementary School	159466.00
PVRSD Capital Budget	19283.64
PVRSD Operating Budget	159524.86
Fire Dept. Hose & Equipment	\$ 1300.00
Water Holes	400.00
Hydrant Service	500.00
Fire Station & Town Garage Maint.	1900.00
Tree Trim & Plant	1700.00
Combat Dutch Elm Dis.	3000.00

Insect & Pest Control	600.00
Wire Inspector	50.00
Dog Officer & Exp.	250.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Public Health	2000.00
Nurse & Substitute	5500.00
" Expense	670.00
" Car Expense	400.00
Clerk	2400.00
Inspection of Animals	400.00
Insp. of Meat & Slaughter	50.00
Athol-Franklin Reg. Voc. School Dist.	771.87
Athletic Field Maint.	400.00
Swimming Pool	1000.00
Town Reports	1443.53
Memorial & Veterans' Day Observances	350.00
Fire & Casualty Ins.	7300.00
Town Clock	100.00
Alexander Hall	350.00
Cemeteries	2600.00
Fire Station Bonds Int.	540.00
Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt	3000.00
Interest	100.00
Discontinued School	
Houses	100.00
Public Assistance	44000.00
Welfare Administration	1365.07

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, F. Sumner Turner, having lived in the Town of Northfield, and at the same time, served our school union as Superintendent of Schools, since November of 1948, having died on February 21, 1967, and

WHEREAS, this community by this death shall suffer the loss of an outstanding and devoted servant, a valued friend and neighbor, and

WHEREAS, F. Sumner Turner, a man of principle and integrity, with dedication and devotion, and with distinction to himself and to his Community did perform the duties of his office, and serve as an inspiration to all who knew him, and

WHEREAS, this service and example has earned to him the everlasting gratitude and respect and affection of his fellow citizens.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen, individually and on behalf of the people of the Town of Northfield, do hereby with gratitude publicly recognize F. Sumner Turner's many great accomplishments in the field of education, symbolized in the establishment of the Pioneer Valley Regional School System, - and do further pledge to continue his march of progress toward the goal which was ever his inspiration, the best possible educational opportunity for the boys and girls of our region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of this Annual Meeting, published in the next Annual Report of the Town and engrossed copies be presented to members of Mr. Turner's immediate family.

(signed) Dwight P. Stearns Chairman

(signed) Stanley J. Powers

(signed) Herbert H. Streeter

Selectmen of the Town of Northfield

Article 5. VOTED: To authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or employ a clerk, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1100.00 to pay the salary of such clerk.

Article 6. VOTED: That the Selectmen be authorized to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for the repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of State Highways; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4950.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway repair and improvements, and that the sum of \$18,150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work; the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 7. VOTED: That the Town appropriate \$26,400.00 to meet the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction; and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$6600.00 be appropriated from taxation, and the sum of \$19,800.00 be transferred from free cash in the treasury to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work; The reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon receipt, to the excess and deficiency account; also that the sum of \$13,522.20 available under Chapter 679 of the Acts of 1965 be used for Chapter 90 work in addition to the regular appropriation.

Article 8. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that the sum of \$4000.00 be transferred from unappropriated funds in the treasury to meet the State and County shares; the reimbursements upon receipt to be restored to unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 9. VOTED: That the Town transfer the sum of \$9000.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 10. VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 11. VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$7625.00 for operation of Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 12. VOTED: To appropriate the money received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund", for the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 13. VOTED: To accept the sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing state aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the

Acts of 1960 and to appropriate the exact sum so received for its public libraries.

Article 14. VOTED: To accept from the friends and family of Mrs. William P. Stanley the sum of \$10.00 to be left at interest and only the interest used by the Dickinson Memorial Library to purchase books. This amount to be added to the Stanley Book Fund.

Article 15. VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 16. VOTED: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$250.00 to pay the unpaid 1966 bill to the Northfield Water District for Hydrant service.

Article 17. VOTED: To approve and accept the following amendment to the Regional School District agreement providing for the withdrawal of the Town of Leverett from the Regional School District;

The agreement dated February 16, 1965, for the regional vocational school district now consisting of the towns of Ashfield, Athol, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Deerfield, Erving, Greenfield, Leyden, Leverett, New Salem, Northfield, Petersham, Shelburne, Shutesbury, Sunderland and Warwick is hereby amended by striking out the word "Leverett" in the caption and paragraph preceding Section I and by striking out the word "Leverett" in subsection (C) of Section I.

This agreement shall be further amended by setting forth the terms by which Leverett may withdraw from the District which are as follows: The Town of Leverett shall remain liable for any unpaid operating costs which have been certified by the district treasurer to the Town of Leverett, including the full amount so certified for the year in which such withdrawal takes effect, all as provided in Section IX (A) of the agreement dated February 16, 1965.

Article 18. VOTED: That the sum of \$1500.00 be appropriated to pay for the services of a part-time secretary to the Board of Selectmen, who shall also be employed by the Board of Health, such sum to be used for services rendered to the Selectmen only.

Article 19. VOTED: To accept the sum of \$100.00 from Vernon A. Playful for perpetual care of Lot #252 in the West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 20. VOTED: To accept the sum of \$100.00 from Marjorie W. Prescott for perpetual care of Lot #57 in Mount Hermon Cemetery.

Article 21. VOTED: To transfer from the Machinery Fund, the sum of \$925.00 to purchase a Highway Line Marker.

Article 22. VOTED: (by an amended motion) That the Town have the Moderator appoint a committee of five members, one member to be the Fire Chief, to study the advisability of replacing the Reo Fire Truck Chassis, and to present their findings within 60 days for consideration at a special Town Meeting.

Article 23. VOTED: To authorize the Selectmen to relocate street lighting on Route 63, Farms Road, to conform with the relocation of said Highway.

Article 24. VOTED: To transfer from Overlay Reserve, the sum of \$5000.00 for a Reserve Fund for the current year.

Article 28. VOTED: To transfer the sum of \$25,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1967 Tax Rate.

Article 26. VOTED: That the Town accept the proposed changes in the illumination of Winchester Road between Moody Street and Birnam Road as per plan submitted by the Western Mass. Electric Co. (on file in the Selectmens' office) at an annual cost of \$301.00.

Article 27. VOTED: To accept a sum of money from the Linden Hill School in lieu of Taxes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M..

Attest: Horace F. Field
Town Clerk

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 8, 1967

About fifty inhabitants of the Town of Northfield gathered at the Town Hall in accordance with the Warrant as posted, to consider the Articles of the Special Town Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by the Moderator, Mr. Corys M. Heselton; the Warrant was read by the Town Clerk; and the following action was taken:

Article 1. VOTED: Accepted the report submitted by the committee which included Paul M. Mayberry, Chairman, Howard Williams, Stanley Wickey, David Quinn and Dwight Stearns; and that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,800.00 for the purpose of purchasing a new chassis, a 750 gallon pump, and to make the necessary transfers and alterations.

Article 2. VOTED: To pay 1966 unpaid bill of \$41.64.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Attest: Horace F. Field
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
OCTOBER 3, 1967

About forty inhabitants of the Town of Northfield gather at the Town Hall in accordance with the Warrant as posted. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 o'clock by the Moderator, Corys M. Heselton. He appointed James R. Dale and Helen M. Stearns to serve as tellers. The Warrant was read by the Clerk and the following action taken:

Article 1. VOTED: That the sum of \$ 3000.00 be transferred from the Machinery fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 2. VOTED: To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five persons for the purpose of studying the operation and installation of sewage systems, to confer and discuss same with Federal and State officials and report back to the next annual town meeting.

Article 3. VOTED: (by count - yes 1 vote - no 35 votes) That the Town disapprove the \$225,000.00 indebtedness authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the French King Regional Vocational School District on September 7, 1967 for the purpose of acquiring a site and for preparing architectural and engineering plans for the construction of a vocational high school.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 o'clock.

Attest; Horace F. Field
Town Clerk

Report of the PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board was less active this year after initiating protective regulations in 1966. However, we did revise subdivision regulations and approved them and gave a copy to the Selectmen and to the Town Clerk for recording.

We also met with the Selectmen and representatives of Western Massachusetts Electric Co. to discuss excavations and road changes planned by them at Northfield Farms. It is the Planning Board's responsibility to pass judgement on all new roads.

In December, we sent Leon Dunnell to Boston to attend a state meeting called by Secretary of State, Kevin White, to inform all city and town planning boards of a new federal program for acquisition of and maintenance of historical sites and data which should be maintained for local and public interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Northfield Planning Board

Harold A. Newton, chairman

David Quinn, Secretary

Gerald Barnes

James Dresser

John Spencer

Report of the BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TAX RATE \$ 33.00

PROPERTY ASSESSED	VALUE	TAX
Real Estate	\$ 9,251,595.00	\$ 305,302.64
Personal Estate	555,948.00	18,346.29
TOTAL ESTATE	9,807,543.00	\$323,648.93
Omitted Assessments		66.00

Farm Animal & Machinery Excise	318,340.00	1,591.70
@ \$ 5.00/1000		

MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE		
Levy of 1966 in 1967	208,690.00	5,483.10
Levy of 1967 to December 31, 1967	1,086,235.00	62,908.66

ABATEMENTS		
Real and Personal Estate Levy of 1967		21,163.30
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise Levy of 1966		1,103.54
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise Levy of 1967		4,597.88

NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK ASSESSED

Horses	20
Ponies	22
Cows	14
Bulls	22
Heifers	9
No. of Acres	16,906.73
Dwellings	782

Respectfully submitted,

Robert P. Barnes, Chairman
 Roger M. Greenwood
 Lee H. Sheldon

Tax Collector's Report

Collected After Abatement		41.05
Paid to Treasurer	\$ 41.05	<u>41.05</u>

TAXES FOR 1962

Collected After Abatement		26.94
Paid to Treasurer	<u>26.94</u>	<u>26.94</u>

TAXES FOR 1964

Collected After Abatement		24.20
Paid to Treasurer	<u>24.20</u>	<u>24.20</u>

TAXES FOR 1965

Outstanding 1-1-67			
Personal Property	8.25		
Real Estate	7,054.90		
Motor Vehicle	<u>143.28</u>	7,206.43	
Abatements	47.30		
Tax Titles Taken	1,678.05		
Paid to Treasurer	<u>5,481.08</u>		
	7,206.43		<u>7,206.43</u>

TAXES FOR 1966

Outstanding 1-1-67			
Farm Animal Excise	74.25		
Personal Property	227.70		
Real Estate	21,359.70		
Motor Vehicle	<u>6,314.24</u>	27,975.89	
Committed After 1-1-67		5,483.10	
Refunds		833.35	
Abatements	1,397.24		
Tax Titles Taken	1,678.05		
Paid to Treasurer	28,500.00		
Outstanding 1-1-68			
Personal Property	18.15		
Real Estate	2,511.53		
Motor Vehicle	<u>187.37</u>	2,717.05	
	34,292.34		<u>\$ 34,292.34</u>

TAXES FOR 1967

Farm Animal Levy		\$ 1,591.70	
Paid to Treasurer	\$ 1,475.90		
Outstanding 1-1-68	115.80		
	<u>1,591.70</u>		<u>1,591.70</u>
Personal Property Levy		18,362.79	
Refunds		292.51	
Abatements	594.46		
Paid to Treasurer	17,836.44		
Outstanding 1-1-68	224.40		
	<u>18,655.30</u>		<u>18,655.30</u>
Real Estate Levy		305,352.14	
Refunds		2,420.50	
Collected After Abatement		330.00	
Abatements	20,568.84		
Tax Titles Added	2,314.12		
Paid to Treasurer	273,162.62		
Outstanding 1-1-68	12,057.06		
	<u>308,102.64</u>		<u>308,102.64</u>
Motor Vehicle Levy		62,908.66	
Refunds		1,996.51	
Abatements	4,597.88		
Paid to Treasurer	57,460.74		
Outstanding 1-1-68	2,846.55		
	<u>64,905.17</u>		<u>64,905.17</u>

WEST NORTHFIELD WATER DISTRICT

TAXES FOR 1967

Personal Property Levy		45.39	
Paid to Treasurer	44.26		
Outstanding 1-1-68	1.13		
	<u>45.39</u>		<u>45.39</u>
Real Estate Levy		2,690.80	
Refunds		61.13	
Abatements	408.38		
Tax Titles Added	6.75		
Paid to Treasurer	1,856.42		
Outstanding 1-1-68	480.38		
	<u>\$ 2,751.93</u>		<u>\$ 2,751.93</u>

Town Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1967 to December 31, 1967

Balance January 1, 1967	\$ 181,218.35
Receipts for year 1967	<u>750,398.55</u>
Total	931,616.90

Payments per Warrants	\$ 722,048.46	
Cash on hand December 31, 1967	31,085.28	
Franklin County Trust Co.	177,223.16	
Franklin Savings Institution	<u>1,260.00</u>	
Total		931,616.90

Franklin County Trust Co. of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1967 per statement	220,908.18
Outstanding Checks December 31, 1967	43,685.02
Balance December 31, 1967 per	
Check Book	<u>177,223.16</u>
Total	220,908.18

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1967	0.00
Amount collected from members	
in 1967	<u>2,925.49</u>
Total	2,925.49

Payment of Franklin County Retirement Board in 1967	2,905.94
Refunds to employees'	19.55
Balance December 31, 1967 in Treasury	<u>0.00</u>
Total	2,925.49

Federal Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1967	1,713.75
Withholding Tax deducted in 1967	<u>20,540.02</u>
Total	22,253.77

Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1967	22,253.77
Balance December 31, 1967 in Treasury	<u>0.00</u>
Total	22,253.77

Massachusetts Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1967	283.52	
Mass. Withholding Tax deducted in 1967	<u>3,244.68</u>	
Total		\$ 3,528.20

Paid to Commonwealth of Mass. in 1967	3,487.82	
Employer's Compensation	40.38	
Balance December 31, 1967 in Treasury	<u>0.00</u>	
Total		3,528.20

Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1967	0.00	
Amount Collected from members in 1967	<u>4,764.22</u>	
Total		4,764.22

Paid to Teachers' Retirement Board in 1967	4,764.22	
Balance December 31, 1967 in Treasury	<u>0.00</u>	
Total		4,764.22

Highway Blue Cross & Blue Shield

Balance January 1, 1967	79.12	
Members Payments in 1967	<u>1,674.83</u>	
Total		1,753.95

Paid to Mass. Hospital Service in 1967	1,698.35	
Balance December 31, 1967 in Treasury	<u>55.60</u>	
Total		1,753.95

School Blue Cross & Blue Shield

Balance January 1, 1967	0.00	
Members Payments in 1967	<u>3,680.08</u>	
Total		3,680.08

Paid to Mass. Hospital Service in 1967	3,680.08	
Balance in Treasury December 31, 1967	<u>0.00</u>	
Total		3,680.08

Respectfully submitted,

Helen B. Gorzocoski
Town Treasurer

Town Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

NAME	ON HAND Jan. 1, 1967	SAVINGS DEPOSITS	SECURITIES	INTEREST RECEIVED	INTEREST ADDED	TOTAL ON HAND 12-31-67
Edward D. Priest & Others, W. Northfield Cemetery Fund	\$ 7292.49	\$ 7292.49		\$ 328.18		\$ 7292.49
James W. Cowles Center Cemetery Fund	2000.00	2000.00		90.00		2000.00
Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund	500.00	500.00		22.52		500.00
Belcher Center School Fund	1050.00	1050.00		47.24		1050.00
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2000.00	1000.00	\$ 1000.00	45.00 Sav. 25.00 Sec.		2000.00
Belcher Library Fund	9439.01	9439.01		424.76		9439.01
Belcher Library & School Fund	500.00		500.00	13.80 Sec.		500.00
Lottie Evans Worthy	1310.26	1310.26			\$ 83.88	1394.14
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3000.00	3000.00		135.00		3000.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1600.00	1600.00		72.00		1600.00
C. P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3000.00	3000.00		135.00		3000.00

Mary Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund	3000.00	3000.00	135.00	3000.00
Mary Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund	500.00	500.00	22.52	500.00
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	13067.25	3067.25	10000.00	82.17 Sav. 250.00 Sec.12117.34*
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00	500.00	22.52	500.00
Maude Montague Library Fund	2009.60	9.60	2000.00	.42 Sav. 77.50 Sec. 2009.60
C. Ina Merriman Library Fund	2993.40	2993.40	136.22	3129.62
Town of Northfield Real Estate Fund	1260.00	1260.00	56.72	1260.00
Northfield Chapter D. A. R. Library Fund	100.00	100.00	4.52	100.00
Marina Stanley Library Book Fund	520.00	520.00	23.47	530.00**
TOTALS	\$ 52642.01	\$ 39142.01	\$ 13500.00	\$ 1429.87 Sav. \$ 302.27 \$ 51922.20 116.30 Sec. 250.00 \$ 1546.17 \$ 552.27

* Includes withdrawal of \$1282.08 for new highway building.

** Includes \$10.00 added to principal of fund in 1967.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen B. Gorzocoski
Town Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

SOUTH MOUNTAIN CEMETERY

Alice J. Bigelow \$ 100.00

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

Cecil Wilson \$ 100.00

Caroline B. Lane 150.00

George W. Snow 200.00

Henry M. Yerrington 100.00

Pennock Fund 100.00

Cora B. Preston &

Pitts W. Preston 100.00

S. E. K. Priest 200.00

George F. Witt 100.00

Jane E. Evans 50.00

Warena P. Miller 200.00

Mary E. Bunker 200.00

Edna M. Kelley 150.00

Boyd Palmer 25.00

Vernon Playful 100.00

Hartley & Flora Bosworth 25.00

Alice Dutton Yerrington 150.00

\$1950.00

NORTHFIELD FARMS CEMETERY

James Browning &

Robert Washer \$ 100.00

Retta R. Barrett 100.00

Ada Chamberlain &

Sarah Morgan 75.00

Eva J. S. Clough 200.00

M. Maria Foss 200.00

Ernest C. Field 100.00

Elisa Graves 51.69

Brigham Gage &

David Clowes 100.00

Charles L. Gilbert 200.00

George M. Chamberlain 75.00

Samuel A. Holton 200.00

Elvira A. Morgan 50.00

James & William

Merriman 100.00

Inez E. Holton 50.00

Henry W. Montague 400.00

Charles C. Morgan 100.00

Samuel Pratt 25.00

Larkin Fisher & Frank

and Lucy Rose 50.00

Fred W. Ruggles 100.00

Ashael Sawyer &

Alner Sawyer 100.00

Marcellus D. Stratton 100.00

Rufus Stratton &

Oren D. Darling 150.00

Elisha & Elihu Stratton 200.00

William H. Stratton 100.00

Mary A. Stratton 100.00

Samuel W. &

William G. Stratton 100.00

Leroy Wetherhead 75.00

Oscar & Frank V. Wood 50.00

Jennie L. Bascomb 150.00

Herbert Dutton 100.00

Murray Hammond 100.00

Nettie Gilbert 300.00

George H. Pratt 100.00

\$ 4001.69

MOUNT HERMON CEMETERY

Henry F. Cutler \$ 100.00

Lorimer Drury 100.00

Horace F. Holton 100.00

Alice V. Watson 150.00

Anna Bell McMillan 100.00

Charles T. Sibley 200.00

Lewis Hodus 200.00

Roy R. Hatch 100.00

Joseph S. Castogue 100.00

Charles D. Streeter 200.00

Mary J. & Anna L.

Miller 200.00

Marion Fish Giersbach 100.00

Alice Mosse 100.00

S. Douglas & Ruth A.

Polhemus 10.00

Jane E. Holton 100.00

Claire H. & Alfred D.

Montague 100.00

Marjorie Prescott 100.00

Julia Pierce, Edward

& Barbara Blake 100.00

Jessie H. Hyde 100.00

\$ 2260.00

CENTER CEMETERY

Nelson & Nettie Spring	\$ 100.00	William R. Moody	\$ 100.00
Emma Holtnorth	100.00	Mrs. Norman	
John F. Rice	100.00	MacGaffin	50.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00	Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00	Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00	S. E. Walker	200.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00	J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00	M. Margaret Laird	
John E. Nye	100.00	Hezekiah & Elizabeth	
Harvey J. Evans	50.00	Stratton	80.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00	Hezekiah & Molly	
Thomas Callender	50.00	Stratton	80.00
Johnson Fund	123.06	Rufus & Asenath	
Mary L. Wright	125.00	Stratton	80.00
M. Bemis & Otis Field	50.00	William H. Phelps	200.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00	Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Alvin Long	50.00	Sarah J. Whithead	50.00
Issac Cook & Wright		Bessie Severance	100.00
Stratton	100.00	Lewis Fowler	50.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00	J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00	Andrew E. & Arthur H.	
Sarah E. Minot	150.00	Lyman	400.00
James Pickard	100.00	Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Augusta L. Day	100.00	Benjamin Field &	
Elijah Belding	125.00	Charles Pomeroy	100.00
James White	100.00	Charles Osgood	500.00
Arad Webster &		Louis Frederick	
William Billings	500.00	Bartlett	100.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00	Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Elijah E. Belding	100.00	Rose A. Holton	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00	C. D. Merriam &	
Charles Alexander &		Cornelius Hilliard	300.00
Richard Colton	200.00	Cora B. Preston &	
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00	Asa Holton	100.00
Roselle Evans	50.00	Frank & William Piper	100.00
Amos Shepardston &		L. C. Clapp Lot	100.00
Anna S. Preston	150.00	Hachita Lot	440.00
Bessie Moore	100.00	Samuel & Elijah	
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00	Merriman	1760.00
Maximilla S. Hachita	100.00	Mary V. H. Slade	125.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00	Mrs. George Spofford	200.00
George E. Nye	200.00	Mary B. Rankin	100.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00	Daniel P. Sutherland	100.00
Dr. Stratton White & George		George N. Kidder	500.00
& William Hastings	300.00	Tie-Webster Lot	100.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00	Louis M. Potts	200.00
		Frank & Jennie Lombard	
			100.00
			\$ 12638.06

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On hand January 1, 1967	\$ 20,274.75
On hand December 31, 1967	20,949.75

RECEIPTS OF INTEREST

South Mountain Cemetery	\$ 4.52
West Northfield Cemetery	76.12
Mount Hermon Cemetery	87.46
Northfield Farms Cemetery	176.33
Center Cemetery	<u>570.96</u>
	\$ 915.39

Respectfully submitted,

Helen B. Gorzocoski
Treasurer

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1967, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1968.

ANN P. JAMES
Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

Taxes

1961 Poll	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00
1965 Personal Property	8.25	
Real Estate	5376.85	5385.10
1966 Personal Property	199.65	
Real Estate	17133.82	17333.47
1967 Personal Property	17836.44	
Real Estate	273162.62	290999.06

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1961	41.05	
Levy of 1962	26.94	
Levy of 1964	24.20	
Levy of 1965	95.98	
Levy of 1966	11092.28	
Levy of 1967	57460.74	68741.19

Farm Animal Excise:

Levy of 1966	74.25	
Levy of 1967	1475.90	1550.15

Accounts Receivable:

General Relief	1569.62
OAA Adm.	17.95

OAA	7264.48	
MA Adm.	38.92	
MA	17157.85	
ADC Adm.	5.05	
ADC	3283.59	
DA Adm.	3.78	
DA	1279.14	
Veterans' Benefits	18.00	30638.38

Aid to Highways:

State	38928.14	
County	8600.00	
Highway Improvement Loan	13522.20	61050.34

Federal Grants:

OAA Adm.	31.36	
OAA	9105.76	
MA Adm.	82.41	
MA	38127.73	
ADC Adm.	8.02	
ADC	6142.00	
DA Adm.	7.37	
DA	3400.00	56904.65

Payroll Deductions:

Federal Withholding	20540.02	
State Withholding	3244.68	
County Retirement	2925.49	
Teachers' Retirement	4764.22	
Mass. Hospital Service (HWy.)	930.31	
Mass. Hospital Service (School)	3684.42	
Teachers' Association Dues	320.00	
Teachers' Credit Union	972.00	37381.14

Trust Funds Interest:

Elisha Alexander Charity	90.90
George F. Morgan Charity	135.00
Roselle Evans Poor	22.52
Starkweather Fund	360.00
Belcher Center School	52.76
Belcher Library	433.04
Maude M. Montague Library	77.92
Marina P. Stanley Library	23.47
Charles P. Dickinson Book	135.00
DAR Book	4.52

PC Center, Mt. Hermon, South Mt.	819.12	
PC Northfield Farms Cemetery	176.33	
PC WestNorthfield Cemetery	408.86	
PC Mary Callender Lot, Mt. Hermon	22.52	
PC Calvin Stearns Lot, Center	22.52	
Surplus Revenue, School Fund	72.00	2856.48

State:

Loss of Taxes	1162.45	
Meals Tax	2967.01	
Business Corporations Tax	300.69	
Chapter 70, School Aid	58920.10	
Transportation	16794.29	
Vocational Education	679.00	
Special Education, Chap. 69, 71	359.15	
Library Aid	580.00	
Valuation Basis	45025.33	
Chapter 58	13650.00	140438.02
Tax Collector's Costs		802.00
Poll Tax Collection Costs		.85
Interest On Taxes		1550.27
Tax Title Redeemed		79.35
Road Machinery Fund		11094.78
Employer's Fee, State Taxes		40.38
Rent, Town Hall		454.50
Rent, Alexander Hall		29.00
Licenses Granted		159.00
Nurse's Fees		2101.97
Library Fines		251.35
Court Fines		55.00
Dog Licenses		450.75
County Dog Refund		369.54
County Dog Officer		367.00
School Lunch		14188.81
MA Recovery		45.00
ADC Recovery		115.64
Gifts for Town Beautification		372.29
Sale of Cemetery Lots		145.00
Sale of Real Estate Fund Interest		56.72
Trust Funds		685.00
U. S. Bonds Interest		250.00
Swimming Pool Receipts		390.75
National Defense Education, Title III		325.89
Plumbing Permits		330.00
School Reimbursement		100.00
Sewage Permits		12.00
Building Permits		25.00

Sale of Materials	120.00
Police Accident Reports	3.00
Refunds	891.98
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	1243.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs Collected	12.75

Total Receipts	750398.55
Cash on Hand, January 1, 1967	<u>181218.35</u>

\$ 931616.90

RECAPITULATION

	App.	Pyt.	Balance
Moderator	25.00	25.00	
Moderator's Expense	15.00		15.00
Selectmen and Welfare Board	1750.00	1750.00	
Selectmen's Expense	600.00	579.65	20.35
Selectmen's Secretary	1500.00	1136.14	363.86
Accountant	1200.00	1200.00	
Accountant's Expense	85.00	85.00	
Legal Expense	350.00	200.00	150.00
Treasurer	1200.00	1200.00	
Treasurer's Expense	500.00	500.00	
Tax Collector	1200.00	1200.00	
Tax Collector's Expense	800.00	770.84	29.16
Assessors	1475.00	1475.00	
Assessors' Clerk	1100.00	1100.00	
Assessors' Expense	508.27	508.27	
Town Clerk	750.00	750.00	
Town Clerk's Expense	100.00	100.00	
Election and Registration	1000.00	804.77	195.23
Planning Board Expense	200.00	86.61	113.39
Finance Board Expense	125.00	33.00	92.00
Maintenance of Town Hall	6000.00	5628.80	371.20
Police, Constables, Equipment & Expense	2400.00	1941.06	458.94
Fire Department Salaries	500.00	500.00	
Fire Department Operating Expense	4500.00	4255.86	244.14
Fire Department Hose & Equipment	1300.00	1063.00	237.00
Repairs To Maxim Fire Truck	2600.00	2600.00	
1966 Hydrant Service	250.00	250.00	
Hydrants	500.00	500.00	
Water Holes	400.00		400.00
Maintenance of Fire Station and Garage	1900.00	1808.47	91.53
Public Safety	50.00	50.00	
Wire Inspector	50.00		50.00

Tree Trimming and Planting	1700.00	1699.43	.57
Dutch Elm Control	3000.00	2993.93	6.07
Insect and Pest Control	775.00	773.03	1.97
Dog Officer and Expense	250.00	250.00	
Health	2000.00	1151.85	848.15
Nurse and Substitute	5500.00	5500.00	
Nurse's Expense	670.00	670.00	
Nurse's Clerk	2400.00	2052.27	347.73
Nurse's Car Expense	418.54	418.54	
Inspection of Animals	400.00	380.57	19.43
Inspection of Meat and Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Highway Superintendent Expense	200.00	200.00	
Tools for Highway Work	400.00	399.97	.03
Highway Storage Shed	1243.00	1243.00	
Highway Sick Leave, Vacation, Holidays	1600.00	1358.80	241.20
Highways, Bridges, Railings	3000.00	2890.43	109.57
Highways Chapter 81	24018.13	24018.13	.
Highway Chapter 90 Maintenance	6464.53	6464.53	
Highway Chapter 90 Construction 1966	12170.66	12170.66	
Sidewalk Repairs	500.00		500.00
Snow Removal	10787.84	10787.84	
Street Lights	6901.00	6240.48	660.52
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	350.00		350.00
1966 Police Bill	41.64	41.64	
Welfare Administration	1365.07	1365.07	
General Relief	4000.00	3648.52	351.48
Old Age Assistance	8000.00	8000.00	
Medical Assistance	22000.00	22000.00	
Aid to Families of Dependent Children	7524.00	7524.00	
Disability Assistance	2500.00	2500.00	
Soldiers' Relief	2400.00	2.45	2397.55
School Committee Salaries	750.00	750.00	
Schools	159866.00	159851.68	14.32
PVRS Capital Budget	19283.64	19283.64	
PVRS Operating Budget	159524.86	159524.86	
Athol-Franklin County Regional Vocational School	771.87	771.87	
Dickinson Library	8574.54	8574.54	
Field Library, Northfield Farms	150.00	150.00	
Town Reports	1443.53	1443.53	
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	512.75	124.20	388.55
Protection of Tax Title Property	25.00		25.00
Interest	100.00		100.00
Insurance	7489.25	7489.25	
Alexander Hall	350.00	350.00	

Discontinued Schoolhouse	100.00		100.00
Town Clock	138.00	138.00	
Land Damages	100.00		100.00
Maintenance of Athletic Field	400.00	286.64	113.36
Swimming Pool	1000.00	999.86	.14
Fish For Stocking Streams	200.00	200.00	
Memorial & Veterans Days Observance	350.00	288.30	61.70
Fence Viewers, Field Drivers & Poundkeeper	25.00	4.32	20.68
Cemeteries	2600.00	2600.00	
Fire Station Bond and Interest	3540.00	3540.00	

Unexpended Balances to Revenue			9614.82
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Machinery Maintenance	12000.00	11993.38	6.62
Highway Line Marker	925.00	921.45	3.55

Unexpended Balances to Rd. Machinery Account			10.17
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New Fire Truck & Related Equipment & Expense	10800.00	7048.62	3751.38
Civil Defense	788.77		788.77
Highways Chapter 90 Construction 1967	39922.20	8923.85	30998.35
Plotting Map for Assessors	819.39		819.39

Unexpended Balances to 1968			36357.89
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Refunds on Taxes	2960.51
Refunds on M. V. Excise	2582.36
Tax Collector's Costs	802.00
U.S.G. Administration	130.93
U.S.G. OAA	19247.00
U.S.G. MA	43302.34
U.S.G. ADC	2840.15
U.S.G. DA	4143.60
State Parks and Reservations	2632.74
State Assessment	96.48
State M. V. Tax Bills	243.60
County Tax	24269.98
County Retirement System	4958.50
Veterans' Service Center	1397.07
Dog Licenses to County	450.75
County Dog Officer	401.00
School Lunch	14638.41
Federal Withholding Taxes	22253.77
State Withholding Taxes	3528.20
County Retirement	2925.49
Teachers' Retirement	4764.22

Mass. Hospital Service	4688.65	
Teachers' Association Dues	320.00	
Teachers' Credit Union	972.00	
Gifts for Town Beautification	286.73	
Trust Funds to Savings Account	685.00	
U.S. Bond Interest to Savings Account	250.00	
National Defense Education, Title III	130.09	
Plumbing Permits	181.00	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund Interest	28.65	
Belcher Library Fund Interest	307.32	
PC Cemeteries--Center, Mt. Hermon, So. Mountain	841.68	
PC Cemeteries--Northfield Farms	208.66	
PC Cemeteries--West Northfield	449.98	
Total Payments	722048.46	
Cash On Hand, December 31, 1967	<u>209568.44</u>	\$931,616.90

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		600.00
Association Dues	51.00	
Lawyers Co-op Publishing Co.	85.00	
Telephone	146.63	
Association Meetings	46.50	
Clerical	12.41	
Supplies	213.11	
Law Seminar	25.00	579.65
Balance to Revenue	20.35	600.00

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		85.00
Postage	6.00	
Office Machines Maintenance	27.23	
Supplies	16.95	
Equipment	34.82	85.00

TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		500.00
Association Dues	4.00	
Treasurer's Bond	106.00	
Supplies and Postage	390.00	500.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		800.00
Association Dues	4.00	

Collector's Bond	189.00	
Supplies, Postage, Telephone	577.84	770.84
Balance to Revenue	29.16	800.00

ASSESSORS' EXPENSE

Appropriation		500.00
Reserve		8.27
Association Dues	20.00	
Registry of Deeds	84.00	
Supplies and Postage	290.22	
Business Machines Repair	80.05	
Binding	34.00	508.27

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		100.00
Association Dues	10.50	
Town Clerk's Bond	10.00	
Supplies	56.70	
Telephone	6.00	
Clerical	16.80	100.00

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation		1000.00
Election	201.25	
Registrars	99.00	
Ballots	60.00	
Street Lists	444.52	804.77
Balance to Revenue	195.23	1000.00

MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HALL

Appropriation		6000.00
Fuel	2219.72	
Electricity	351.72	
Water	32.00	
Public Safety	35.00	
Supplies and Maintenance	880.01	
New Equipment	310.35	
Custodian	1800.00	5268.80
Balance to Revenue	371.20	6000.00

POLICE, CONSTABLES, EXPENSE AND EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		2400.00
Payroll	1126.00	

Mileage	232.00	
Radio Maintenance	240.00	
Supplies and Equipment	323.21	
Telephone	19.85	1941.06
Balance to Revenue	458.94	2400.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT SALARIES

Appropriation		500.00
Fire Chief	250.00	
Fire Warden	150.00	
Secretary	100.00	500.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING EXPENSE

Appropriation		4500.00
Mutual Aid	10.00	
Payroll	2055.00	
Telephone	396.40	
Repairs and Supplies	1749.46	
Insurance	45.00	4255.86
Balance to Revenue	244.14	4500.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSE AND EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		1300.00
Maxim Equipment	569.85	
Costs	32.90	
Hose	460.25	1063.00
Balance to Revenue	237.00	1300.00

MAINTENANCE OF FIRE STATION AND GARAGE

Appropriation		1900.00
Fuel	782.11	
Electricity	518.37	
Water	58.26	
Payroll	205.70	
Supplies and Repairs	244.03	1808.47
Balance to Revenue	91.53	1900.00

TREE TRIMMING AND PLANTING

Appropriation		1700.00
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Payroll	1301.32	
Hired Machinery	195.60	
Supplies and Repairs	202.51	1699.43
Balance to Revenue	.57	1700.00

DUTCH ELM CONTROL

Appropriation		3000.00
Payroll	2420.30	
Hired Machinery	100.00	
Materials and Supplies	179.83	
Dues and Conference	45.80	
New Chain Saw	248.00	2993.93
Balance to Revenue	6.07	3000.00

INSECT AND PEST CONTROL

Appropriation		600.00
Reserve		175.00
Hired Machinery	340.00	
Payroll	224.96	
Materials and Supplies	208.07	773.03
Balance to Revenue	1.97	775.00

HEALTH

Appropriation		2000.00
Association Dues	6.00	
Telephone	1.60	
Supplies	258.25	
Vital Statistics	92.00	
Dumps:		
Abalene	132.00	
Hired Machinery	662.00	1151.85
Balance to Revenue	848.15	2000.00

NURSE'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		670.00
Supplies	255.59	
Equipment	375.06	
Telephone	39.35	670.00

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		200.00
Association Dues	5.00	

Telephone	121.55	
Supplies	34.00	
Conference	16.50	
File Cabinet	22.95	200.00

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Road Machinery Fund		12000.00
Supplies and Repairs	9195.67	
Payroll	2797.71	11993.38
Balance to Rd. Mach.	6.62	12000.00

HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, RAILINGS

Appropriation		3000.00
Payroll	1611.80	
Supplies and Repairs	1278.63	2890.43
Balance to Revenue	109.57	3000.00

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 81

Appropriation		4950.00
Surplus Revenue		18150.00
Road Machinery		918.13
Payroll	7053.92	
Town Machinery	5906.64	
Hired Machinery	1663.50	
Materials	9386.95	
Newspaper Advertisements	7.12	24018.13

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		2000.00
Surplus Revenue		4000.00
Road Machinery		464.53
Payroll	637.63	
Town Machinery	593.71	
Hired Machinery	88.00	
Materials	5142.94	
Newspaper Advertisements	2.25	6464.53

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation		6600.00
Surplus Revenue		19800.00

Highway Improvement Loss		13522.20
Payroll	4658.51	
Town Machinery	1772.40	
Hired Machinery	47.00	
Materials	2445.94	8923.85
Balance to 1968	30998.35	39922.20

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		9000.00
Reserve		1787.84
Payroll	6306.57	
Hired Machinery	189.75	
Salt	1788.38	
Sand	2336.94	
Supplies	166.20	10787.84

SCHOOLS

Appropriation		159466.00
Refund		400.00
Teachers' Salaries	102376.30	
Superintendent's Salary	1976.87	
Superintendent's Aide Salary	1190.80	
Clerks	1166.50	
Custodians	7206.35	
Travel	280.90	
Physician	190.00	
Nurse	850.00	
Transportation	21730.56	
Textbooks	463.75	
Student Supplies	3243.02	
Janitor Supplies	1465.44	
Fuel	3341.32	
Water and Current	3422.53	
Repairs and Maintenance	4277.60	
New Equipment	331.09	
Tuition	4806.60	
Sundry	336.43	
Telephone	278.32	
Office Supplies	139.56	
Special Project	777.74	159851.68
Balance to Revenue	14.32	159866.00

DICKINSON LIBRARY

Appropriation		7625.00
Dog Refund		369.54

State Library Aid

Payroll	5471.72	
Electricity	255.92	
Telephone	87.87	
Fuel	502.57	
Water	32.00	
Repairs	142.35	
Books and Magazines	1905.60	
Field Library	50.00	
Dues	15.00	
Supplies	111.51	8574.54

ALEXANDER HALL

Appropriation		350.00
Janitor	202.50	
Supplies and Repairs	110.68	
Piano Tuner	12.00	
Drapes	24.82	350.00

TOWN CLOCK

Appropriation		100.00
Reserve		38.00
Caretaker	75.00	
Electricity	21.00	
Repairs	42.00	138.00

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAYS

Appropriation		350.00
Speaker	25.00	
PVRS Band	50.00	
Flags	81.00	
Plants	132.30	288.30
Balance to Revenue	61.70	350.00

CEMETERIES

Appropriation		2600.00
Center Cemetery:		
Payroll	2456.43	
Supplies	28.62	
Water	16.00	
Lawn Mower Motor	54.95	
Mount Hermon:		
Payroll	16.00	
Northfield Farms:		

Payroll	28.00	2600.00
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PERPETUAL CARE
CENTER, SOUTH MOUNTAIN AND MOUNT HERMON CEMETERIES

Balance from 1966		569.71
Receipts		819.12
Payroll	684.07	
Water	16.00	
CV Railway	5.00	
Commissioner's Salary	75.00	
Supplies and Repairs	11.73	
Lawn Mower	49.88	841.68
Balance to 1968	547.15	1388.83

PERPETUAL CARE, NORTHFIELD FARMS CEMETERY

Balance from 1966		219.76
Receipts		176.33
Payroll	208.66	
Balance to 1968	187.43	396.09

PERPETUAL CARE, WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

Balance from 1966		518.32
Receipts		408.86
Payroll	343.00	
Supplies and Repairs	106.98	449.98
Balance to 1968	447.20	927.18

BELCHER LIBRARY FUND

Balance from 1966		131.85
Receipts		433.04
Payroll	145.91	
Telephone	2.74	
Fuel	27.21	
Books	62.75	
Supplies	68.71	307.32
Balance to 1968	257.57	564.89

Balance Sheet, Town of Northfield

For the Year Ending December 31, 1967

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities and Reserves</u>	
Cash			
Accounts Receivable:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1966			9827.22
Personal Property	18.15		149.00
Real Estate	2511.53		45.00
			115.64
Levy of 1967			31.36
Personal Property	224.40		1931.22
Real Estate	12057.06		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:			
Levy of 1966	187.37		82.41
Levy of 1967	2846.55		1164.29
			8.02
			3927.22
			7.37
Farm Animal Excise:			16.73
Levy of 1967			7168.62
			1947.73
			1976.71

Tax Title and Possessions:

Title	15324.64		Title III	334.78
Possessions	478.72	15803.36	Blue Cross-Blue Shield (Hwy)	55.60
			Village Improvement Society	350.90
Aid to Highways:			Sale of Real Estate	1260.00
			Sale of Cook Lot	2709.37
			Sale of Cemetery Lots	2962.12
State	3929.16		Stabilization Fund	5100.00
County	2000.00	5929.16	Tailings	361.23
			Trust Funds Income:	
Departmental:			Elisha Alexander Charity	1054.01
OAA	695.03		George F. Morgan Charity	426.62
MA	1731.84		Roselle Evans Worthy Porr	161.21
ADC	244.93		Starkweather Charity	1210.00
DA	127.35	2799.15	Belcher Center School	427.79
			Belcher Library	257.57
Underestimate 1967:			Marina P. Stanley Library	75.31
			Charles Dickinson Book	135.00
State Parks and			DAR Book	19.66
Reservations		429.61	Perpetual Care Cemeteries:	
			Center, Mt. Hermon, So. Mt.	547.15
County Dog Officer		34.00	Northfield Farms	187.43
			West Northfield	477.20
			Mary Callender Lot	67.15
			Calvin Stearns Lot	98.15
			Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	5580.65
			Levy of 1966	2205.74
			Levy of 1967	6836.70
			Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus	9042.44
				18880.45

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

M. V. and Trailer Excise	3033.92
Farm Animal Excise	115.80
Tax Title and Possessions	15803.36
Aid to Highways	5929.16
Departmental	2799.15
Surplus Revenue	27681.39
Appropriation Balances:	120617.84
New Fire Truck	3751.38
Civil Defense	788.77
Chapter 90 Construction, 1967	30998.35
Assessors' Map	819.39
	<u>36357.89</u>
	\$ 252524.58

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DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	21000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	21000.00
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TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Trust and Investment Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
In Custody of Treasurer	70616.95	Lottie Evans Charity	1394.14
In Custody of Selectmen	10323.00	Roselle Evans Charity	500.00
In Custody of Trustees	14240.59	George F. Morgan Charity	3000.00
		Surplus Revenue School Fund	1600.00
		Belcher Center School	1050.00
		Belcher Library	9439.01
		Dickinson Book Fund	3000.00
		DAR Book Fund	100.00

Marina P. Stanley Library	530.00	
Montague Library	2009.60	
Cowles Cemetery	2000.00	
Belcher Center Cemetery	2000.00	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery	500.00	
Mary Callender Cemetery	500.00	
W. Northfield Cemetery	7292.49	
PC Cemeteries	20949.75	
Post War Rehabilitation	12117.34	
Ina Merriman Library Gift	3129.62	70616.95

In Custody of Selectmen:

Sidney Starkweather Charity	8000.00	
Elisha Alexander Charity	2020.00	
Flora E. Lane, Center Cemetery	202.00	
Lucretia Holton, West Northfield Cemetery	101.00	10323.00

In Custody of Trustees:

Martha Alexander Charity	14240.59	14240.59
		\$ 95180.54

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Board of Health Report

The Cases reported to the Board of Health in 1967 were:

Chicken Pox	15
Dog Bites	12
Hamster Bites	2
Cat Bite	1
Scarlet Fever	1
German Measles	3
Meningitis	1

One dwelling was condemned as unfit for human habitation.

Report of Public Health Nurse

To the Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Northfield Public Health Nursing Service from January 1, 1967 through December 1, 1967.

Northfield's Annual Blood Bank, sponsored by the Fortnightly, experienced it's most successful year as the Red Cross Blood-mobile collected 136 pints of blood. Mrs. Chester Hooper served as chairman of the project. Dr. Ansel B. True, Dr. F. Wilton Dean, Dr. Aaron Newton, and Dr. Marvin L. Thompson efficiently covered the program, along with several nurses and other volunteer workers.

The 1967 Nursing Service Advisory Board members were; Mrs. Doris Snow, R. N., Chairman; Mrs. Elizabeth Leyden, Mrs. Margaret Jones, Mrs. Ruth Greenwood and Mrs. Patricia Deacon. Mrs. Deacon submitted her resignation due to a change of residence. Dr. Aaron Newton, Northfield's representative to the joint advisory committee, also resigned due to a change of residence. Several meetings were held during the year to keep abreast of changes and requirements for recertification. Northfield was recertified in July 1967, and the Home Health Contract was signed with the Franklin County Public Hospital for specific services.

Home Visits	707
Office Visits	23
Visits to School	124
Clinics	5
Group Teaching	6
Meetings, Etc.	65
Home Health Care Services Provided Under F. C. P. H. Contract	

Physical Therapy	5
Laboratory Service	1
Oxygen Therapy	1
Occupational Therapy	1

With the enactment of the Medicaid bill XIV, hospital clinics were abolished and children now are attended by their own physicians. Kiwanis, Lions Club, and the Salvation Army were most helpful. Two children attended Greenfield Health Camp through the support of our local Kiwanis Club.

The FISH Program has been called upon many times during the year to assist patients in many areas of need. This enables the nursing service to attend to acutely ill patients. I wish to thank Mr. Kenneth Walker and his able staff for their help this past year.

Thanksgiving baskets were distributed by P.V.R.S. students and faculty, and various local organizations. At Christmas, the Future Homemakers Class at P.V.R.S. brought gayly wrapped gifts to the Nursing Office for children, which were distributed to families. Caroling and gifts by the Girl Scouts were appreciated by homebound patients.

Northfield was one of many towns selected by the Mass. Dept. of Public Health to survey children and families in connection with the new immunization program to be conducted under the auspices of the Board of Health. Forty-six families with newborn, and two-year-old children were visited. This survey will aid in planning future immunization clinics and alert parents of the importance of complete immunization.

On September 5, 1967, Governor John A. Volpe signed into law a requirement that all school children be immunized against smallpox, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, measles and polio, unless exempted for medical or religious reasons. The bill was introduced by the Department and endorsed by the Massachusetts Medical Society. It therefore represents the current standard of medical practice of both clinic and public health medicine.

The law became effective on December 4, 1967, and in order that it may be carried out, clinics are scheduled by the Northfield Board of Health in 1968.

A "school child" referred to in the law is any student attending public or private school from kindergarten through grade eight, It does not apply to high school, college or post-graduate schools.

The Nursing Service wished to thank Miss Frances Stillman for

her generosity in donating equipment, and for her help with Christmas gifts for homebound patients.

I wish to thank the Board of Health, the Fire Dept., and the people of Northfield for the cooperation given to the Nursing Department this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Stearns, R.N.
Public Health Nurse

Dog Officer Report

During the past year fifty-two dogs were picked up. Twenty-six of these were boarded the required ten days and destroyed; Sixteen were claimed by their owners, five had been hit by motor vehicles and were taken care of; and five were given away.

I was very happy to return one dog to its owner who lived sixty miles away. The dog was wearing a tag that helped me to get in contact with the owner who had no idea the dog was in this area.

It is always an unhappy duty to destroy dogs that I know have been family pets, but without tags or name plates, I have no way of finding the owner.

If you love your dog, please do not fail to get a license tag this year and put it on your dog.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Young
Dog Officer

Report of Fire Chief

For the year 1967, there was not a great number of serious fires. The records show the following:

House Fires	8
Chimney Fires	5
Railroad Fires	3
Grass Fires	12
Car Fires	4
Dump Fires	16
Rescue Calls	2
Resuscitator Calls	8
Mutual Aid Calls	4
Miscellaneous	15

Because of past emergency situations which have arisen, the department has found it necessary to purchase an additional resuscitator. This will also benefit the public nurse, as well as the ambulance service.

It has also been found necessary to replace the old Reo fire truck's chassis as well, which has already been delivered. The chassis has not yet been transferred, however, to the Reo body. This will be done as soon as possible.

The department wishes to thank the townspeople for their cooperation during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. WILLIAMS
Fire Chief

Report of Forest Warden

This year has been somewhat better in comparison with other years past. The water table showed an increased water supply contained in the ground due to the increased rains. These rains were enough to remove the drought conditions that have been present in the last few years.

The town dump was the most expensive undertaking and will continue to be so until the town can make better arrangements for rubbish disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. WILLIAMS
Forest Fire Warden

Report of Public Safety

Public locations of existing fire hazards have been inspected for safety, either in public or private buildings. Recommendations for improvement were made where necessary. This was done to protect the citizens, as well as private and public property of this town.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. WILLIAMS
Public Safety Inspector

Civil Defense Director's Report

The Town of Northfield participated in Civil Defense Exercise CDEX-67 full time from October 27th through October 29th, 1967.

The following members of the Staff took part in the exercise: Horace Field, Director; Edward M. Powell, Deputy; Wallace Stange, Supply Officer; Mrs. Norma Stearns, Medical; Stanley T. Wickey, Chief of Police; Paul Thompson, Auxiliary Police; Howard Williams, Fire Chief; Eugene Miller, Fire and Rescue; Sidney Given, Radiac Officer and Gilbert Stacy, Shelter Officer.

All messages required by the Standards were received and dispatched by phone and CD Radio at Control Center in the Fire Station. Local Problems were simulated and played.

The exercise served to re-activate key members of the Civil Defense Staff and considered most beneficial.

In addition we have participated in Radio Communication Drills, attended Sector Meetings, and have met all prerequisites required for participation in Federally sponsored money programs.

In October, I was awarded a Distinguished Service Citation by the Director of the Massachusetts Civil Defense Agency, which honor I owe to the splendid cooperation of all those who have participated in our programs through the years.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE F. FIELD
Civil Defense Director

Report of The Schell Pool Committee

The Mass. Dept. of Public Health approved the use of Schell Pool for public bathing.

Schell Pool was open from June 20th through August 27th, 1967. During this time, there were eight rainy days with no attendance, and several cloudy days with only a few swimmers attending. The total attendance for the summer was 2316.

The lifeguards were Judith Bistrek, Gary Smolen and Mrs. Edwin Finch.

The Red Cross Swimming Classes were organized by Mrs. Eleanor Deane, and directed by Mrs. Edwin Finch. There were 91 children enrolled in this program.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH M. MANKOWSKY
Chairman

Highway Department Report

The Chapter 90 Construction Program for this year was confined to the Gulf Road. Work to road was done by honing and leveling approximately 3/4 mile in the spring. In the fall, this portion was sealed. Finishing of guardposts and shoulders was also done to assure more safety conditions.

The following improvements have been made on Chapter 81:

HAMILTON DRIVE

Was widened, and leveled. Slopes were seeded.

MAPLE STREET

Widened portion of road to alleviate drainage problem and for better snow removal.

SO. MOUNTAIN RD., LUCKY CLAPP RD., ORANGE RD., and WINCHESTER RD.

Culverts were replaced.

All roads listed below had surface treatment:

Warwick Ave. - 4224 feet	Caldwell Rd. - 2904 feet
Winchester Rd. - 5016 feet	Beers Plain Rd. - 1056 feet
Ashuelot Rd. - 2112 feet	Nfld. Farms Rd. - 1584 feet
Birnam Rd. - 2376 feet	Bennett Brook Rd. - 1320 feet
Myrtle St. - 792 feet	

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Gulf Road was resurfaced 3186 feet.

MT. HERMON ROAD

Road was surfaced with 3/4" ST Mix over leveling course for 2112 feet.

SCHELL BRIDGE

Work was done on replanking portion of bridge.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Northfield, that notified this department of the hazards on their roads, so that my men and I could better these conditions. I also want to thank the men in my department for their help and co-operation throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WEISSINGER,
Superintendent of Streets

Tree Warden's Report

This spring 26 trees were planted along our streets and highways. These trees were planted where we lost young trees due to the previous dry years.

Through the generosity of the Village Improvement Society, a donation of \$ 150.00, also the Kiwanis Club of Northfield gave a donation of \$ 165.00. These donations were respectfully received and will be a big help to our tree planting program. A special thank you to the two organizations.

This past year flowers were planted in front of the town hall, water fountain; fire station and the Alexander Hall, using Salvia, Geraniums, Cascade Petunias, Pinwheel Petunias, King of Diamond Petunias, and White Petunias.

This fall there were 300 tulip bulbs planted in front of the town hall and water fountain. There were 350 tulip bulbs planted in front of the fire station and 500 tulip bulbs in front of Alexander Hall.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the V.F.W., West Northfield Playground Association, Fortnightly, Northfield Garden Club for their donations of money to the Beautification Fund.

I wish to thank the townspeople, Board of Selectmen, Finance-Board, Elementary School Committee, men of the Northfield Tree Department and also the men of the Northfield Highway Department for their splendid cooperation in helping me carry out the various programs this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON
Tree Warden & Moth Superintendent

Report of Moth Superintendent

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending of December 31, 1967.

During the year 1967, 230 diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned. There were 160 samples taken and sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories for culture. A total of 225 trees were found positive and they should be removed and burned by April 1, 1968. These trees are located as follows:

- 70 Northfield
- 56 East Northfield
- 50 West Northfield
- 49 Northfield Farms

We were again able to have the state help and equipment worth \$1,500.00. This was a big help in holding our cost down in this department.

POISON IVY

Poison Ivy was sprayed where asked to be sprayed. This service is available on the private properties also sprayed was swimming pools, baseball diamonds, picnic areas, and also along the roadsides.

GYPSY MOTH AND JAPANESE BEETLE

Again we had no noticeable built-up of the Gypsy Moth. Since the last spraying in 1963. Japanese beetle is about the same as in the year 1965. We did not use any pesticides this year to combat these pests.

The mosquito and black fly spraying was continued. This service is available on private properties if requested by the owner. This past year we had many more calls than the previous years. We used twice as much pesticides to combat these pests.

Due to the change in the pesticides law, as of June 1, 1968, D.D. T. can not be used in the State of Massachusetts. To replace D. D. T., Methoxychlor will be used. Methoxychlor cost about three times more than D. D. T. Also the cost of the mist blower equipment has increased. To continue in carrying on with this program it will be necessary for more funds.

Cemetery Commissioners Report

Northfield's Cemeteries have received their usual care and maintenance during 1967. Expenditures for same may be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

We wish to report the following receipts:

From Mrs. George H. Pratt, Conway, Mass. For Lot # 48 in Northfield Farms Cemetery	\$ 15.00
From Mrs. George H. Pratt, Conway, Mass. For Perpetual Care of Lot # 48	\$ 100.00
From Julia Elizabeth Pierce, Edward Curtis Blake, and Barbara Pierce Blake. For Lot #32 in Mount Hermon Cemetery	25.00
From Julia Elizabeth Pierce, Edward Curtis Blake, and Barbara Pierce Blake. For Perpetual Care of above Lot	100.00
From Harley L. & Flora M. Bosworth to be applied for Perpetual Care of Lots #167 & 168 in West Northfield Cemetery	25.00
From Mrs. Jessie H. Hyde For Lot #56 1/2 in Mount Hermon Cemetery	15.00
From Mrs. Jessie H. Hyde For Perpetual Care of above Lot	100.00
From Estate of LeRoy R. Barnes For Perpetual Care of Lots #144 and 149 in West Northfield Cemetery.	100.00
From Julia Mary Stark, Plymouth, N. H. For Lot #47 in Mount Hermon Cemetery	15.00
From Julia Mary Stark, Plymouth, N. H. For Perpetual Care of above lot.	100.00
From Lawrence A. Comins, Greenfield, Mass. For Perpetual Care of Lot # 79 in Northfield Farms Cemetery.	100.00

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN STACEY
RICHARD H. BASSETT
HORACE F. FIELD

Cemetery Commissioners

Department of Veterans' Service Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Northfield, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is a report of the activities of the Department of Veterans' Services of the Central Franklin County District and the Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1967.

SUMMARY OF CONTACTS

1. Active Service Problems	30
2. Bonus	0
3. Compensation	68
4. Death Benefits	252
5. Discharges	83
6. Education	91
7. Employment	173
8. Finance	511
9. Housing	14
10. Insurance	81
11. Legal	94
12. Loans	55
13. Medical	500
14. Notarizations	22
15. Pension	579
16. Photostats	6740
17. Recordings	6
18. Selective Service	101
19. Social Security	51
20. Taxes	426
21. Veterans' Benefits	5684
22. Vital Statistics	187
23. Unclassified	<u>374</u>

Total Contacts 16122

The figures above represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women in the various communities comprising the district.

The Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield did not receive any requests for financial assistance during the year 1967.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

By Homer L. Gamelin
Director of Veterans' Services

Northern Welfare District

To: Northfield Board of Public Welfare
From: L.R. Stark, Director, Northern Franklin Welfare District
Subject: Annual report on Public Assistance for 1967

There were many changes in the administration of Public Assistance during 1967, the most important of which was that a much larger proportion of the population became eligible for Medical Assistance benefits, particularly children of otherwise self-supporting families. At the same time, fees paid for these medical services were sharply increased, particularly for dental work, hospitalization and nursing home care, so that Public Assistance costs increased from about \$90,000.00 in 1966 to some \$112,000.00 in 1967 and higher costs are expected in 1968. To handle the increased work load, it was necessary to increase the office staff from three to five full-time workers, and it was necessary to move the office to larger quarters on Church Street, Bernardston.

In July a program of distribution of Surplus Food Commodities was begun which made these foods available not only to recipients of public assistance but also to families with low incomes. This program has filled a very important need and has proved quite successful.

As a result of legislation in 1967, public assistance will be administered directly by the State Department of Public Welfare beginning July 1, 1968, rather than local agencies as in the past, and the State at that time will assume all the costs not covered by Federal grants. It is presumed that our office will be closed as Boards of Public Welfare and welfare Districts will be abolished.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

There were twenty-two persons receiving this type of aid at the end of 1967; Total payments in this category were about \$27,000.00 for the year of which about 15% was from local funds.

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Three families with nine children were being aided under this program at the end of 1967. Total costs during the year were about \$10,000.00 of which the major part was from Federal and State sources.

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Six persons were receiving this type of aid at the end of the year. Total payments were \$6,600.00 of which 25% was from local funds.

GENERAL RELIEF

Two families were being aided in this category at the end of the year. Several others were aided for temporary periods and total payments were about \$3,600.00. The State reimburses 49% and the remainder was from local funds.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

A total of sixty-one families are receiving assistance under this category as well as thirty-one aged persons, thirteen of whom are in Nursing Homes, and four disabled persons. In addition, all medical costs of the twenty-two persons receiving Old Age Assistance, the three families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children and the six persons receiving Disability Assistance are paid from this category. Total costs for the year were about \$65,000.00 of which the local share was 16 2/3%.

Report of the Water District

This has been a good year for the District and there was no water shortage at any time. Several new customers have been added and some permanent improvements made. We did not have to limit or ask anyone to conserve water.

Many meters have been repaired and defective meters replaced. Two new fire hydrants have been installed as well as new shut-off valves to give better control for repairs or when work has to be done on lines.

Land taking has been made of one parcel of land from Lee Sheldon permitting laying an eight inch main from the new well off Stowbridge Road and connected into the Main from the Minott Brook reservoir. New valves here control water to come from either source. All of above work and materials have been paid for but there will be more work necessary next spring. At that time a road to the well will be completed and a pump and building will make this new source of water available.

It will be necessary to acquire two more small tracts of land to protect the area. This was an added requirement of the State Engineers or would have been arranged at the time of the other land taking arrangements.

Newspaper notices advertise time and place of the District meetings, also a meeting notice is posted for one or more weeks before each District meeting held. Your presence would be appreciated at these times or at the commissioners meetings held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings each month at 8 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID G. QUINN
ERNEST C. HOWARD
CORYS M. HESELTON

Commissioners Northfield Water District

Dickinson Memorial Library Report

With the aid of the Library trust funds, as listed in the report of the Town Treasure, the unrestricted fund bequeathed by the late C. Ina Merriman, and the annual state aid for which the Library qualifies by reason of its facilities and services, the Dickinson Memorial Library has continued to enlarge its book collection and current offerings, to increase the publications and magazines made available, and to improve the comfort and attractiveness of the reading and circulation rooms. Especially noteworthy in this continuing progress has been the leadership, of Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway as Chairman, the unremitting care of the plant and property by Luman A. Barber, and the loyal and able service of the librarian, Mrs. Evangeline Cook, and her assistant, Mrs. Linda Cone.

On the Board of Trustees, Mrs. Dorothy C. Miller has served as Secretary, Luman A. Barber as Treasurer, and Mrs. Margaret L. Jones, Mrs. Evelyn H. Parker, William H. Hawley, and John C. Trumbull as members of the Book Committee. It is with deep appreciation for her years of valuable service to the Library that the Trustees regretfully received notification from Mrs. Miller that she decided not to stand for election for another term.

It is the objective of the Trustees to maintain for the Town as complete library service as possible, and suggestions from residents of Northfield and all users of the Library are always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. HAWLEY, Chairman
MARGARET L. JONES, Secretary

Librarian's Report

Circulation of books and magazines:		
Adult and Juvenile		28739
State Bookmobile		2215
Inter-Library loan		29
Books borrowed for school use		365
	Total	31348

Books in circulation:		
Added by purchase and gift		713
Withdraw		523

Total number of books in circulation:	16399
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Books borrowed from State Bookmobile:		
Dickinson Library		1312
Field Library		350

Books on loan to State Bookmobile	164
Total number of registrations	1066
Fines turned in to Town Treasurer	\$ 233.60

Many books and magazines have been given to the Library during the past year, for which I thank our friends.

I wish to thank the members of the Garden Club who have so kindly given fresh flowers for the Library desk.

Classes in the use of the card catalog and in the use of reference books were held at the Library during the months of January and February for pupils of the Sixth Grade.

The annual sale of books discarded from the Children's Room was held during the first week of May. New books for the boys and girls were bought with the proceeds. No fines were charged for overdue books during the entire week.

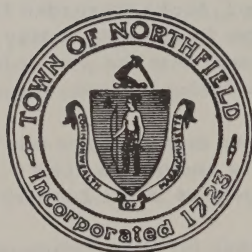
During the summer months there was the usual increase in the circulation of books and magazines. Many people visited the museum rooms upstairs in the Library building.

I thank the Trustees for their continued support and counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

EVANGELINE C. COOK
Librarian

Annual Report
of the
Town of Northfield
Schools



Report of the Superintendent-Director

To the French King Regional Vocational School District Committee:

On May 3, 1967 approval of our Educational Specifications was granted by the Vocational Bureau and they were promptly submitted to the School Building Assistance Bureau with a request for consideration at the earliest possible date. At a meeting on August 2, 1967 with Mr. Simeon J. Domas of this Bureau the Educational Specifications were again reviewed and were given approval by this Bureau also.

Meantime the Greenfield School Committee, having requested Federal funds for a study of vocational education in the area, indicated that though these funds had not yet been granted they wished to establish a special study committee to consider the vocational needs of the area and alternative means of meeting these needs. It was also suggested that the Greenfield Superintendent and School Committee could not approve of the French King plans as proposed and that these plans would not meet the needs of Greenfield students.

In view of the need to await completion of annual town meetings to allow for the withdrawal of Leverett before requesting another planning bond, the French King committee agreed to participate in the study which was to have a preliminary report by March and a final report in June. It was felt that in fairness to the study another planning bond should not be requested until its completion.

The final report of this committee made the following recommendations:

- a. Provide a strong Industrial Arts program from Grade 7 through Grade 10 and coordinate the program with the vocational school.
- b. Coordinate class scheduling in such a manner that students can participate on a shared time basis without undue program conflict.

Since, among other reasons, area school administrators (with the exception of Greenfield) were generally agreed as to the impracticality of such an arrangement for our area, French King representatives could not concur with a majority acceptance of a shared time program. It seems unfortunate that this committee concerned itself so much with theory and opinions and did not explore in more depth the various implications of programs and courses that were suggested.

Following receipt of the report the French King District commit-

tee voted on September 7, 1967 to incur debt of \$225,000.00 for acquiring a site and for preparing architectural and engineering plans for the construction of a vocational high school, and that this appropriation be raised by incurring debt by the issue of bonds or notes under General Law Chapter 71, Section 166.

Nine towns did not call special town meetings for consideration of the bond. Several informational meetings were held in the remaining towns to answer questions of town officials and others regarding this matter. On October 2, 1967 Greenfield voted favorably 93 to 82. Petersham voted favorably 88 to 71 and Athol disapproved by 80 to 47. On October 3, 1967 Shutesbury voted favorably 36 to 9, Northfield voted favorably 16 to 5 and Charlemont disapproved 32 to 16. Ashfield on October 4, 1967 disapproved 38 to 27.

Following this, further discussion was held in towns disapproving and as subsequent special town meetings each voted to petition for withdrawal from the District. These petitions have been received and are a part of the agenda for the next meeting of the French King committee.

Withdrawal of towns seems to be based primarily on inability to meet expected capital costs for the school. Loss of three towns composing approximately 25 percent of the District compounds this problem for those remaining, many of which also have tax problems.

It presently appears that in order to reduce the capital costs 25 percent we must necessarily reduce the educational and extra curricular offerings as well as the central facilities to a point where it does not seem educationally or economically feasible. There also seems to be little likelihood of the schools establishment under county or state sponsorship in the immediate future or of the entrance of new towns into the District under present conditions. To request member towns to support an educational program with less educational offerings as an increased overall capital cost, as well as assuming increasing proportions of this cost due to loss of member towns is not likely to be successful.

In view of these facts it is my recommendation that an article be inserted in the warrants of all member towns calling for the dissolution of the French King Regional Vocational Technical School District. In the event that such an article is voted affirmatively vocational education in the area would await development of a new movement under different financial and legislative structure. If the article were defeated it would indicate strong support for the present regional condition not presently apparent.

The need for a regional vocational school today is, if anything,

greater than when the District was formed in 1965, however, general school costs as well as other municipal expenditures have risen considerably during this period, some member towns are involved in construction not considered in 1965, and the construction cost of all such projects including French King has gone up and will continue to go up.

The progress of this District and the development of the French King Regional Vocational Technical School has been too long delayed by the reluctance of area voters, and more especially of town and industrial leaders, to recognize that money invested in education is an investment in the future of not only the immediate area but the state and country as well. Too little effort has been expended to make the effect of local taxes less burdensome to local taxpayers, too little effort given by business and industry to improving the very education that could benefit them most and too great a concern voiced by some of these same people over location, representation, coordination and conflicts with other educational programs.

The need for improved vocational education in this area is here! It is a need that must be met if we are to keep pace with the rest of the country and the rest of the world--what we must do is work together to cooperatively find a means of meeting that need.

The help and cooperation given me and the many hours spent by area townspeople in behalf of the school I am truly grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL R. WILBUR
Superintendent-Director

School Committee Report

Organization for year 1967

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Bolton, Chairman	Term expires 1968
Wallace Stange, Secretary	Term expires 1970
Frank J. Rockwell	Term expires 1969

Meeting of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p. m. at the Center School.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kenneth H. Sheetz

Juniata College - B.S. in Education, History and English

Bucknell University - M.S. in Administration and Supervision

Boston University - Course work completed for Ed.D.

Office - Pioneer Valley Regional School - Tel 498-2757

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

David E. Zellmer

University of Wisconsin - B.A. in English and French

UNION SECRETARIES

Mrs. Madelyn J. Page

Mrs. Helen Mahoney

Office Hours

School Days - 8:30 A.M. to 4 P.M.

School Vacation 8 A.M. to 3 P.M.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Ansel B. True, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE

Norma A. Stearns, R. N.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Schools open January 2, 1968	Close February 16, 1968
Schools open February 26, 1968	Close April 11, 1968
Schools open April 22, 1968	Close June 21, 1968

Schools open September 4, 1968

Close November 27, 1968

Schools open December 2, 1968

Close December 20, 1968

Schools open January 2, 1969

Close February 14, 1969

REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The regular monthly meetings of the elementary school committee has been held on the third Tuesday of each month at 8 P.M. at the Center School. It was organized this year with Mrs. Elizabeth Bolton, chairman; Mr. Wallace Stange, Secretary; and Mr. Frank Rockwell, representative to Pioneer Valley Regional School.

This has proved to be a busy and interesting year for the committee. In addition to its routine duties of overseeing maintenance and repairs, it was confronted with the hiring of two administrators caused by the death of Supt. F. Sumner Turner in February and the resignation of Principal Paul Deacon in August. Mr. Turner faithfully served Union #18 for seventeen years and will long be remembered for his untiring devotion in seeking the best possible education for our young people.

Following the recommendation of the Union #18 sub-committee who worked long hours in interviewing and screening candidates, Kenneth Sheetz was hired as superintendent by the full Union Committee, beginning his duties here in August. After serving as principal of the elementary school for six years, Paul Deacon resigned in August to accept a position in North Attleboro, Mass. Richard Skinner was hired and began his duties in September, shortly before school opened.

Another resignation occurred in October when Ernest Lawrence, our custodian, left for another job. Harold Johnson of Leyden was hired to fill this position.

Being troubled by the hazard of children crossing the road before and after school hours, we have obtained permission to have the custodian act as traffic officer. We hope that we may also find other ways to improve this safety situation.

We have continued our policy of painting and repairing a few rooms each year and this year also converted the old home economics room into a suitable school library room. This means we will have adequate shelf space for the books we are able to buy with Federal funds. We greatly appreciate the volunteer help who have catalogued the books and acted as librarians.

Mrs. Allison Kaufhold was granted a year's leave of absence to further her studies, and Mrs. Elizabeth Newton was hired to teach her grade, Miss Joan Martin was hired by the Union for music instruction following the resignation of Mrs. Cecile Goodwin.

With the closing of the Agricultural course at PVRs, the com-

mittee faced the added responsibility of finding vocational schools where the boys might continue vocational training. Several boys chose to go to Greenfield Vocational, one to Smith Academy, one to New Salem Academy and one to Brattleboro. There is a definite need for further study in this area of education, and it is hoped that some better solution may be found in the near future.

The Committee feels that this year may be even more challenging with the many educational changes that seem to be coming in Massachusetts. We again have joined the Massachusetts Association of School Committees and have tried to attend many of their worthwhile meetings to learn how best to solve the problems that

ELIZABETH BOLTON
WALLACE STANGE
FRANK ROCKWELL

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Northfield:

Three superintendents and two principals in one year is quite a change for any school system. Fortunately for the youngsters of Northfield you have been blessed with a stable staff of dedicated teachers and secretarial help, and they have not only stood up well during this period but have moved education ahead as well.

Both Principal Skinner and I have received much of our advanced graduate training in administration and supervision from Boston University. Professors there advise administrators new to a community to study the educational situation for some time before trying to make any improvements. Yet, we are men of action and, wanting education to move forward as rapidly as possible, have made several changes already, and laid plans for others, based in every case upon sound educational research. For example, we have employed the first Reading Specialist in the history of this area, with both salary and valuable materials being paid for by Federal monies secured by our administrative assistant. Together with our vocal and instrumental music supervisors, art supervisor, and physical education supervisor, we are able to provide educational enrichment found in few communities of comparable size. Next September we will open the first Special Class in Union #18, with more than half of the expense being borne by the state and the remaining costs shared by our other towns. We have also made a mid-year change from self-contained upper elementary rooms to a departmentalized program using the best skills of each teacher in the areas of their strength and interest. This will also make the transition from Grade 6 in Northfield to Grade 7 at P.V.R.S. a much easier step for our young people. Naturally, such improvements as these depend on the full cooperation of our teaching staff, for which we are most thankful.

Not only have our teachers been willing to spend many after school hours in preparation for such moves, but have also served on curriculum study groups, helped to plan for eventual non-gradedness in our school, and attended seminars on reading, workshops on audio-visual aids, and other in-service activities in addition to regular faculty meetings. Demands upon their time have been heavy. We feel they would not give of themselves so cheerfully had they not a deep affection for your children and this community, and if there were not true educators.

Not only are we extremely well pleased with our cafeteria operations but also that we have been able to secure the services of such fine men as Dr. Ansel B. True as our school physician (due to the most untimely death of Dr. Dean) and Mr. Harold Johnson

as our custodian. Long a member and officer of both the Leyden and P. V. R. S. School Committees, and with a rich work experience background, we appreciate Mr. Johnson's understanding of the many problems of school plant maintenance and operation.

We have been appointed to the directorships of the Franklin County Supplementary Education Center (formerly "Project GRACIE"), the Greenfield area Vocational Study Group, Operation Headstart, etc., and expect to gain knowledge of benefit to our programs by this participation.

On your next visit to school we hope you'll notice the new improvements in our physical plant as well -- new flooring, lighting, etc.

Sincerely,

KENNETH H. SHEETZ
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the School Organization

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Richard E. Skinner	Principal	Boston State College, B.S., M. A. Ed. *Boston University
Madeline A. Smithers	Kindergarten	Boston University, B.A. Hartford Seminary Foundation, M. A. *Leslie College *University of Mass. Extension
Ruth W. Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal School *University Extension
Dorothea B. Thomas	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College *University of Mass.
Barbara F. Doolittle	Grade 2	Pembroke College, B. A. *Central Connecticut State College
Ruby North	Grade 2	Bay Path Institute *Greenfield Commercial School *Fitchburg Normal School *Greenfield Community College
Ruth Stebbins	Grade 3	Lowell Teachers College, B. S. *University of Mass.
Marion Wahlstrom	Grade 3	Framingham State Teachers College, B. S. *University of Chicago *Boston University *Harvard-Boston Univ. Extension *State of New York Extension *University of Mass. *Greenfield Community College
Elizabeth C. Newton	Grade 4	Castleton Normal School *Greenfield Community College

Catherine Sheldon	Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal School *University of Massachusetts
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	N. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E. *Boston University *Greenfield Community College
Jessie Glabach	Grade 5	North Adams Normal School *Boston University *Greenfield Community College
Edmund F. Weston	Grade 6 Ass't Principal	Keene State Teachers College, B.Ed. *Plymouth State Teachers College *Arizona State College *University of N.H. *Fitchburg State Teachers College
Judith Miles	Grade 6	N. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E. *Michigan State University
Ann P. James	Secretary to Principal	
Norma A. Stearns	School Nurse	
August C. Mello	Art Supervisor	Mass. College of Art, B.S., M.A.
Joan C. Martin	Music Supv.	Berkshire Christian College, B.A. *Western New England College
Douglas G. Weeks	Instrumental Music Director	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *Gorham State College *University of Massachusetts
Elizabeth Schumaker	Physical Education Supervisor	Westbrook Jr. College, A.A. Sargent College, B.S. *Additional courses

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Mr. Harold Johnson Mr. Norman Holloway Mr. Alwin Holloway

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Esther Clough Mrs. Mildred Aldrich Mrs. Agnes Caron

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT TOWN OF NORTHFIELD December 31, 1967

	Appropriated 1967	Spent	Budget 1968
1000 Administration	\$ 6,193.00	\$ 4,834.13	\$ 6,748.00
2000 Instruction	107,553.00	106,319.93	119,379.00
3000 Other Services	22,070.00	22,790.63	25,200.00
4000 Operation and Maintenance	18,700.00	20,821.70	21,650.00
7000 Acquisition of Fixed Assets	800.00	278.69	800.00
9000 Programs with Other Schools	4,150.00	4,806.60	7,400.00
Refund	<u>400.00</u>		
Totals	\$ 159,866.00	\$ 159,851.68	\$ 181,177.00

NET COST OF SCHOOLS 1967.

Expenditures (Elementary School)	\$ 159,851.68
Expenditures (Northfield's share PVRs)	<u>192,322.63</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 352,174.31

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
reimbursements paid to the Town
of Northfield:

Chapter 70	\$ 58,920.10
Vocational tuition and transportation	679.00
Transportation	16,794.29
Interest, School Surplus Fund	72.00
Special Class	<u>359.15</u>
	\$ 76,824.54

Reimbursements paid to PVRs	
Northfield's share	<u>35,427.04</u>
Total reimbursements	\$ 112,251.58
Net cost of education	<u>\$ 239,922.73</u>

STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

Year	Total Costs	Reimburse- ments	%	Net Cost	Pupils	Cost per Pupil
1958	178,311.24	63,572.89	35.6	114,738.35	538	213.27
1959	188,590.69	75,055.69	39.7	113,535.13	538	211.03
1960	204,678.46	76,081.24	37.1	128,597.12	550	233.81
1961	212,576.00	73,705.19	34.7	138,870.87	545	254.81
1962	233,965.23	75,719.14	32.4	158,246.09	582	271.90
1963	260,551.97	78,528.80	30.1	182,023.17	601	302.86
1964	278,088.76	85,656.90	30.8	192,431.86	616	312.49
1965	300,302.65	90,851.57	30.2	209,451.08	606	345.62
1966	320,726.79	85,893.18	26.7	234,833.61	624	376.33
1967	352,174.31	112,251.58	31.9	239,922.73	613	391.39

NORTHFIELD ELEMENTARY LUNCH

Net worth January 1, 1967		\$ 2,712.38
Opening Cash Balance		\$ 1,669.81
Receipts:		
Sales to children	\$ 8,619.80	
Sale of milk	280.35	
Sales to adults	739.20	
U. S. D. A. Claims Recd.	3,944.48	
Other	134.84	
Total Receipts		13,718.67
Available Cash		15,388.48
Disbursements:		
Food	\$ 7,935.82	
Labor	5,591.65	
Other	991.98	
Total Disbursements		14,519.45
Closing Cash Balance		869.03
Closing Cash Balance	\$ 869.03	
Inventory	163.45	
U. S. D. A. Claims	1,323.66	
Net worth December 31, 1967		\$ 2,356.14

CENSUS REPORT October 1, 1967

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	85	82	167
Between ages 5 and 7	40	37	77

			Total
Between ages 7 and 14	178	182	360
Between ages 14 and 16	<u>49</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>100</u>
Totals	352	352	704

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES, OCTOBER 1, 1967

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Boys	20	23	28	28	28	20	27	174
Girls	19	20	18	27	24	19	24	151
Totals	39	43	46	55	52	39	51	325

RESIDENT ENROLLMENT

	Boys	Girls	Total
Pioneer Valley Regional School	136	145	281
Northfield School for Girls	0	23	23
Mount Hermon	6	0	6
Greenfield Special Class	1	0	1
Clarke School	0	1	1
Austine School	0	1	1
Bement School	2	0	2
St. Anne's	0	2	2
Devereaux School, Penn.	1	0	1
Cushing Academy	1	0	1
Hinckley School	1	0	1
Greenfield Vocational School	6	0	6
Maria Assumpta	0	1	1
Northampton School for Girls	0	1	1
New Hampton School	1	0	1
Brattleboro Vocational School	2	0	2
Smith Vocational School	1	0	1
New Salem Academy	1	0	1
Pittsfield School for Girls	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Totals	159	175	334

Report of the Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

It is with genuine pleasure that I submit this, my first annual report. This has been a busy, enjoyable and productive year. In review, it is significant to mention several noteworthy events.

The past year has seen several staff changes. In September, Mrs. Ann James came to work in my office on a part-time basis. Mrs. Elizabeth Newton was appointed Grade 4 teacher during the sabbatical leave of Mrs. Allison Kaufhold. In September, too, Mrs. Esther Clough, our Cafeteria Manager, was welcomed back after a period of illness. In November, Mr. Ernest Lawrence, our custodian for the past year, resigned to accept another position. He has been succeeded by Mr. Harold Johnson of Leyden.

Also new this fall were Miss Joan Martin, Vocal Music Supervisor, and Mrs. Elizabeth Schumaker, Physical Education Supervisor.

Our enrollment this year has changed slightly. Although the actual figures indicate a decrease of ten children, our anticipated enrollment last June was for about this same number, 316.

The use of the former high school home economics room as a library has taken effect. Several volunteer mothers are serving as librarians on a part-time basis.

The erection of basketball goals has resulted in the completion of an outside court for use by the children.

A safety patrol has been established to insure the safety of school children at the crosswalk in front of the school, and is being manned by Mr. Johnson, as a special police officer, and members of the sixth grade.

This year has seen the addition of a full-time physical education teacher, and the increased development of a physical education program. Our music program was also expanded.

Presently, a group of teachers in the Union are evaluating our reading program on all levels in an effort to more adequately meet individual needs.

We are pleased that parent-teacher cooperation is so excellent at our school. The P. T. A. programs this year were ambitious.

and parent-teacher participation was excellent. We look forward to many more successful years from this group.

A book fair was held in November, and was adjudged a complete success.

I want to close by thanking the parents for their cooperation, the teachers for their dedication, competence, and assistance, the School Committee for their patience and wisdom, and Mr. Sheetz for his keen interest, understanding and leadership during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD E. SKINNER
Principal

Report of Instrumental Music

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

This year there are 49 pupils involved in the instrumental program at Northfield, twenty-three in the sixth grade and twenty-six in the fifth grade.

The Students are busy learning the fundamentals of music and of their instruments so that they may develop their own musical abilities. Their long range goal is to take part in the band program at Pioneer.

This year they took part in the spring concert at Pioneer and the elementary Christmas program.

Due to the cooperation of parents and school officials this program is well under way again this year.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS G. WEEKS
Director of Instrumental Music

Report of Vocal Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I herewith submit my first report of the Elementary Music Program.

I assumed my duties as Elementary Vocal Music Supervisor with the commencement of the 1967-68 school year. The children have been learning new songs from the grade books provided as well as from other books. They have also been rhythmic and melodic sight reading through the utilization of preband instruments.

Most classes have participated in school assembly programs.

Respectfully submitted,

JOAN C. MARTIN
Vocal Music Supervisor

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I submit herewith my sixth annual report as Union Art Supervisor.

The elementary art program is being conducted along the same format as it has been for the last six years. I visit each class every other week. At that time a lesson is presented to the students and begun under my supervision. The lesson is then continued during the alternate week with the help of the classroom teachers.

Although this is adequate, I do feel it could be greatly improved. The number of classes which I must visit in the Pioneer Valley Regional District makes it impossible for me to plan an elaborate art program. If, however, a second teacher were added to the art department, the burden of planning for such a large number of classes would be lightened, and this in turn would afford both teachers the necessary time to create a richer and more rewarding experience in art education for the students.

Once again I would like to thank the teachers for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST C. MELLO
Art Supervisor

Report of Physical Education Supervisor

This fall a weekly physical education program was included in the program. The classes are 25-30 minutes in length. Basic motor skills and physical fitness have been stressed this year. As the program grows and improves many new activities will be introduced. It is hoped that as new equipment is added and improvements made in the program you will find physical education to be a sound and worthwhile program worthy of every educational consideration.

Elizabeth Schumaker
Physical Education Supervisor

Report of the School Physician

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield Center School Committee:

Dr. F. Wilton Dean served Northfield as a school physician for twenty-five years. As I submit my first report I, too, feel his loss to the school and to the community.

In October, I examined the students of Grades two and four, transfer students, and kindergarten students not examined before entering school.

In October, I conducted an influenza vaccination program for school staff.

I will conduct a pre-school clinic in the spring or early summer.

The school entrance requirements for immunizations has been changed by state law. In September, 1968 all children entering school for the first time will have to have been immunized against whooping cough, diphtheria, and tetanus; small pox; poliomyelitis (oral vaccine); and measles.

Respectfully submitted,

ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.
School Physician

Report of the School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee for the Town of Northfield:

A dental program was held in February during Dental Week with films and classroom demonstrations. 163 out of 326 dental cards were returned, thus showing a need for a more intensive program, which will be carried out in February, 1968. Kiwanis Club contributes to our dental program.

Visual screening was completed and 28 referrals were issued.

Audiometer screening was completed with 8 children referred for further testing at the new Speech and Hearing Center under Mrs. Blanche Hempel, R.N. Several students are now attending.

All students were weighed and measured.

In February, 51 students were immunized against measles.

The personal hygiene class was held in the Spring with 46 girls and 10 mothers attending.

First-aid lectures were given to grades 3, 5 and 6, and first aid treatment given during school hours.

Pre-kindergarten examinations and registration were held in May. Thirty-nine students were examined.

In July, we were saddened by the death of Dr. F. Wilton Dean who served with dedication as school physician for over twenty years.

The health program is being revised and new eye machine purchased for the School Union.

In October, visual screening was completed on 325 students for this School term. Thirty failures were referred and all but a few are corrected.

Dr. Ansel B. True was appointed school physician to carry on the health program. Flu vaccine was administered to faculty members needing protection.

Grade 2 and 5, plus all new students, were given complete physicals by Dr. True. 99 students were examined with 24 referrals. Follow-ups are being done on these students to correct physical defects found.

On December 4, 1967, a state law was passed which requires all students to be completely immunized against polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, and smallpox, before entering school for the first time after September 1, 1968. In February 1968 clinics will start to be held for the children who need immunization.

Two Northfield Children attended Greenfield Health Camp, courtesy of Kiwanis Club.

It is a pleasure to work with the school child, as the parents and teachers have been most concerned and cooperative with the pupils health program. Healthwise, our school maintains a steady level with a few exceptions.

The school health program has an important role in the overall education of our children. For a child to function his best, good health, both physical and emotional, is a necessity. Through the cooperation of the school physician, teachers, nurse, parents and available services we hope to maintain a sound health program for our students.

I wish to thank everyone for their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMA A. STEARNS R.N.

School Nurse

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Report

School Committee

Mr. William E. Field, Jr. Chairman	Bernardston
Mr. Emerson Maynard, Vice Chairman	Warwick
Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau, Secretary	Northfield
Mr. Russell L. Deane	Bernardston
Mr. Thomas Nettles	Bernardston
Mr. Harold Johnson *	Leyden
Mrs. Margret Matelica	Leyden
Mrs. Marion Zimmerman	Leyden
Mr. Charles W. Llewelyn *	Northfield
Mr. Frank J. Rockwell	Northfield
Mr. Albert Hubbard	Warwick
Mr. Charles A. Morse *	Warwick
Mr. Howard A. King	Treasurer

* denotes past chairman

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and the Citizens of Bernardston, Leyden, Northfield and Warwick:

The year 1967 saw three men serve as your Superintendent of Schools. Fortunately for our children, both of my predecessors were conscientious men who did their work well. Much of the credit for the smooth operation of the Superintendent's Office during this difficult year belongs, also, to our secretaries and assistant, and to you of the School Committee who gave of your time and help far beyond what is normally gained from Committee members. It was a pleasant surprise for me to find this office in much better operational condition than we had any right to expect when we assumed our position.

New Superintendents are well-advised to spend their first six months in a thoughtful study of conditions as they exist. It has been our intention to follow this advice, for there is usually good rationale for everything being the way it is. However, we have made some progress toward what we feel are worthy goals, not only for the youth of our communities but for adults as well.

Mrs. Sheetz and I thank you for making our first half-year in the Pioneer Valley so pleasant. We are deeply grateful and appreciative for the kindnesses you have shown us in so many ways. We pray that we may continue to merit and receive your

cooperation and support in our endeavors to do our best in serving our youth.

Respectfully and sincerely,

KENNETH H. SHEETZ,
Superintendent of Schools

CHANGES IN TEACHING PERSONNEL

Withdrawals

Ann E. Baker	June, 1967
Russell C. Goodwin	August, 1967
Michael J. McDonald	June, 1967
Frances R. Peters	June, 1967
Peter S. Prichard	June, 1967
Karen J. Forbush	June, 1967
Dorothy C. Taylor	December, 1967

Appointments

Charles Bradshaw	September, 1967
Thomas K. Krehbiel	September, 1967
Nancy E. Moore	September, 1967
Paul P. Sprague	September, 1967
Robert L. Stevens	September, 1967
Dorothy C. Taylor	September, 1967

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Annual Report of the Principal - - 1967

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

Herewith, I submit my annual report-the eleventh, as principal at Pioneer Valley Regional School.

The year 1967 witnessed more changes at P.V.R.S. than during any previous year of its existence. The untimely death of F. Sumner Turner in February came as a distinct shock to everyone in our communities. It was my good fortune to work with Mr. Turner during his nineteen years in our school district. Our associations were close and our philosophies similar. As a memorial to him, I offer the following which I presented to the student body on the morning of the first school day following his death:

IN MEMORIUM

F. Sumner Turner

In November of 1948, F. Sumner Turner came to our area and became superintendent of schools of our school union. From his first day on the job until his untimely death on February 21, 1967, he devoted his time, his energy, and his heart, to the task of providing the best in education for the boys and girls of Union 18. Through his untiring efforts and dedication, the Pioneer Valley Regional School was established. It now stands as a living memorial to his outstanding efforts. Through his inspiration and guidance many of our students became better citizens.

Mr. Turner was a loving and devoted husband and father. He worked hard at his job but he never forgot his family. Many family customs and rituals were continued in spite of the many hours he devoted to his job.

The life of F. Sumner Turner should serve as an inspiration to all who knew him. His sense of duty and devotion; his dedication to his job; his ready smile; his firm but just manner; his abounding energy; his willingness to work; his love of youth; his perseverance; and his readiness to stretch forth a hand to help his fellow men are all traits which he held in the highest degree.

All of us feel that we are better because we knew him and worked with him. He shall ever be held in the highest regard by all teachers and students. May we ever remember the lessons he has

taught and the trust that he has put in us so that we may be more like him in the years to come.

As God served man
So he served his fellow men.

We were most fortunate to have the services of Mr. George Wrightson of Turners Falls as interim superintendent. Mr. Wrightson did a most commendable job of carrying on the program of our schools. We have also been fortunate in using his services in various capacities as a substitute teacher.

During the summer, the school committee selected Mr. Kenneth Sheetz as superintendent. During the few months that Mr. Sheetz has been with us he has demonstrated his forward-looking philosophy in many ways. Changes have been made and others will be made as soon as practical. We welcome Mr. Sheetz to our community and look forward to working with him for the best in education for our students.

During the summer of 1967, the school committee voted to discontinue the agriculture program at our school. This affected seventeen students. Many of these students have transferred to the Greenfield Vocational School. Several students have stayed with us and are now taking either an industrial arts or general course. The agriculture shop was converted into three very attractive and much needed classrooms within a period of three weeks. This made it possible to discontinue the use of small areas used as classrooms for the past several years and has restored our school to the point where a more normal program can be carried out.

The decision by the residents of Gill to regionalize with Turners Falls now makes it possible for us to proceed with our own plans for needed expansion of facilities. This will proceed at once.

Enrollment

The termination of the agriculture program and the subsequent changes in the agricultural building have temporarily alleviated our crowded conditions. The transfer of agriculture students to other schools and the moving of several large families from our district resulted in very little change in our school enrollment for the present school year. Some of our classes are still too large.

The class enrollments as of December 1, 1967 were as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Grade 7	48	46	94

Grade 8	52	55	107
Grade 9	51	52	103
Grade 10	42	46	88
Grade 11	39	52	91
Grade 12	38	45	83
Post Graduate	1		1
Totals:	271	296	567

The enrollments by towns on December 1, 1967 were:

Bernardston	170
Leyden	40
Northfield	276
Warwick	46
Gill	25
Tuition	10

CURRICULUM

A few changes were made in our curriculum during the present school year. These were made in order to make better use of our school facilities and to allow students to more fully satisfy their educational desires and more fully prepare themselves for the future. A course in advanced placement math was added for those seniors who desired to follow a college course in mathematics or the fields of engineering. Our graduates of previous years have found this to be an area of weakness in their preparation. Students in this course have two periods of math per day. All boys in grades 9-12 were given the opportunity to select either one or two periods of industrial arts per day. Several boys taking the college preparatory course are now taking a period of industrial arts per day. The drafting course was also expanded to allow students to take more difficult work. All math for students in grades 7-12 is now the modern approach. A course in Music Appreciation was also added for juniors and seniors.

The present enrollment in the high school subjects is as follows:

English 9	103	General Math 9	21
English 10	88	Refresher Math 12	17
English 11	91	Industrial Arts 9	18
English 12	83	Industrial Arts 10	9
Speech 9	103	Industrial Arts 11	5
Speech 10	88	Industrial Arts 12	8
Latin I	37	Drafting	16
Latin II	20	Senior Glee Club	44
French I	53	Senior Band	60

French II	32	Music Appreciation	6
French III	8	Art	23
General Science	62	Homemaking 9	37
Biology	89	Homemaking 10	23
Chemistry	41	Homemaking 11	8
Physics	6	Homemaking 12	32
Physical Science	15	Typing I	91
Government	56	Typing II	29
World History	52	Office Practice	15
U. S. History	101	Bookkeeping I	35
Prob. of Democracy	87	Bookkeeping II	22
World Geography	27	Shorthand I	28
Algebra I	65	Shorthand II	17
Algebra II	50	Economics	25
Geometry	59	Phys. Ed. (Boys)	All
Advanced Math	16	Phys. Ed. (Girls)	All
Adv. Placement Math	4	Driver Education	45
Business Math	38		

Several changes in the curriculum are anticipated in the next few years. Increasing of French to a four-year program, the addition of Spanish as an alternate modern foreign language, and the introduction of conversational French or Spanish to the seventh and eighth grade program are anticipated in the language field. The addition of a subject or two in the high school social studies program is also planned to make this field more complete. Other changes are also being planned in the other departments.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

The Baccalaureate Service for the Class of 1967 was conducted on Sunday, June 4, with a capacity audience in attendance. The message to the seniors was presented by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Rosario Montcalm. Monsignor Montcalm spent several years as a chaplain at the Air Force Academy in Colorado. His message was both inspiring and thought-provoking. He was assisted in the program by Rev. Elvin W. Blackstone and Rev. James Mockler.

The Graduation was held on Friday, June 9 at 8:00 P.M. in the gymnasium, for 83 seniors. The featured address was by Dr. Charles Gadaïr of American International College. The program follows:

Processional: "God of Our Fathers"	Class of 1967
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
Invocation	The Rev. Harvey R. Fleming
Welcome	Peter Holloway, Pres., Class of 1967
Honor Essay: "American Youth-A Time of Rebellion"	
	Thomas Savage

Honor Essay: "America Today"
Songs

Pamela Hadsel
Chorus

"Graduation Day" arr. H. Ross
"The Impossible Dream"--Leigh-Darion

Address

Dr. Charles Gadaire
American International College

"I. Q. + A. Q. -Success"

Special Awards

George M. Leonard, Prin.

Gift of the Class of 1967

Peter Holloway

Awarding of Diplomas

George F. Wrightson, Acting Supt.

Class Song

Benediction

The Rev. Harold Tallman

Recessional "Pomp and Circumstance"

Class of 1967

The class officers and class roll were as follows:

President

Peter Holloway

Vice President

David Senior

Secretary

Linda White

Treasurer

Mary Jane Drew

Stephen Arthur Adams

Sandra Jean Fuller

James William Ainsworth

*Kathleen Mary Griffin

Charlton Lincoln Baldwin

Paul Howard Grover

Susan Leigh Barber

*Pamela Gladys Hadsel

Rachel Irene Black

Donald Edward Hartwell

Nancy Irene Butterworth

Edward Allen Hartwell

Janet Rose Cadarette

Linda Rae Hartwell

Nancy Jean Callahan

Robert Irving Haskell

Linda Louise Caouette

Mary Hatheway

Donna Rae Chadwick

*Peter Merritt Holloway

Joan Etta Chamberlin

Gail Ann Huber

Mark Douglas Clark

Glenn Robin Hutchinson

Janice Marie Clough

James Wendell Johnson

*Regis Ann Crosby

Gerald Francis Kavanaugh

Bonnita Marie Crosier

Donald Austin Keith

John Edward Dale

Arthur Edward Knapp

Mary Jane Drew

Marilyn Jean Koshinsky

Peter Harry Dyer

Barbara Louise LaPlante

Allen Joseph Fellows

Marlene Virginia Leach

Joel Norman Fowler

Virginia Mary Lenois

Linda Irene Lincoln

*Thomas Henry Savage

Diane Jean Livernoise

James Sedgley, Jr.

Karen Elaine Livingstone

David John Senior

Linda Jean Lombard

Priscilla Anne Senior

Alice Belle Lord

Pamela Shepard

Ida Belle Marcy

Paul Charles Skiathitis

Kenneth Edwin Matthews, Jr.

Ronald Wayland Smart

Prudence McComb

Deborah Lee Snow

Jacqueline Jean Metelica

Elmore James Streeter, Jr.

Rebecca Jean Miller

Carol Elizabeth Thompson

Carol Lee Newton	*George Herbert Townsend
Frederick Gilbert Parker, Jr.	Kathy Irene Tuttle
Penney Louise Patch	Walter Leroy Tyler
Clifford Edmond Porter	Peter Rexford Ward
Judith Marie Powers	Robert Chandler Waterman
Robert Michael Powers	Linda Mae White
Leone Joyce Ramsay	Anne Hunter Whitten
Linda Arline Randall	Gregg Charles Williams
Donna Lee Read	Joseph Williams, Jr.
Douglas Arden Reed	Robin Moulton Wyman
*Brian Ralph Rice	Djuna Katherine Zellmer
Sally Irene Richardson	

*Member of National Honor Society

Awards and Scholarships

Emily C. Jenness Awards (Bernardston)
 Character-Mary Jane Drew
 English-Bonnita Crosier
 Isaac B. Snow (Two highest ranking students from Bernardston)
 Highest Scholastic Standing-Bonnita Crosier
 2nd Highest Scholastic Standing-George Townsend
 George A. Warner-Paul Grover
 Special Athletic Awards
 Charlton Baldwin
 Marilyn Koshinsky
 Warwick Community Scholarship-Pamela Hadsel
 DAR Award-Kathleen Griffin
 Bausch & Lomb Award-Brian Rice
 Student Council Awards-Bonnita Crosier and Pamela Hadsel
 Leyden PTA Scholarship Award-Jacqueline Metelica
 Northfield Kiwanis Scholarship-Carol Newton
 Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Association Scholarship
 Peter Holloway
 Linda White
 Pioneer Valley Regional P. T. A. Scholarships
 Kathleen Griffin
 Regis Crosby
 Rebecca Miller
 Bernardston Men's Club Scholarship-Glenn Hutchinson
 Bernardston P. T. A. Scholarship
 George Townsend
 Mary Jane Drew
 John Philip Sousa Award-Pamela Shepard
 Certificate of Merit-National Merit Scholarship Program
 Kathleen Griffin
 Anne Whitten
 Evelyn G. Lawley Award-Elmore J. Streeter, Jr.
 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow-Anne Whitten

Chosen Careers

The Class of 1967 has distinguished itself by 25% going on to 4 year colleges and a total of 59% going on to further educational opportunities. The graduating class of 83 students is divided as follows:

4 year college	21	Vocational Schools	4	Service	7
3 year nursing	1	Post Graduate	1	Marriage	1
Community College	12	Junior Colleges	4	Undecided	2
Short term schools	6	Work	24		

Extra Curricular Program

The extra curricular program offered to students is very important. Colleges use participation in these activities as one of the determining factors in college admissions. These activities also build student morale and add much to the general interest of the student body. We believe we have a very fine program of extra curricular activities at P. V. R. S.

The sports program is considered part of the extra curriculum. During the past ten years our sports program has improved considerably. Plans call for a more comparable type of program with that of schools with whom we compete. The improvement in our sports program was never more evident than during the past football season when our team had its first winning season with a record of 6 and 2. This is a tribute to all school personnel responsible for the program, to a fine group of boys and to our coaching staff, especially Mr. Charles Welner. The New England track champion for the one mile race was Charlton Baldwin.

Our girls teams continue to be outstanding in every sport as they have been for the past several years.

Progress is being made in other areas of our extra curriculum. In addition to the regular program of clubs, sports and activities, an Investment Club under Mr. Dyer has been formed; for the first time our Public Relations Club, under the capable leadership of Mrs. Bassett, is now issuing a printed newspaper of superior quality; a Varsity Club has been formed for general service to our school; and a Drama Club under Mr. Genest was formed to improve the drama program in all its various phases. We are appreciative of the efforts of all our faculty members who provide the leadership and efforts on behalf of our students.

In Conclusion

Our world, and society, is making fast changes. Standards of

conduct and standards in education are not exceptions. We, at Pioneer, are trying to maintain a pace that we believe is best for students. We realize this is not always acceptable to all students nor all citizens, but our philosophy and our program must be geared to the will of the majority which we believe it is. Changes do take place and will take place when it is determined to be in the best interests of all.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the school committee, faculty, students, parents, custodial staff, cafeteria workers, and especially the administrators who have all worked so well as a team to produce a fine educational program here at Pioneer.

GEORGE M. LEONARD
Principal

Report of School Funds Student Funds

Balances on hand January 1, 1968

General Fund (deficit)	10.95
Student Council	1,161.91
Class of 1968	2,974.80
Class of 1969	839.07
Class of 1970	659.65
Class of 1971	103.95
Class of 1972	194.41
Class of 1973	3.87
Band	782.27
Yearbook	960.80
Glee Club (deficit)	253.68
Booster Club	117.62
Art Club	23.25
Camera Club (deficit)	22.83
National Honor Society	43.23
Gym Club	7.49
French Club	82.42
Public Relations (deficit)	40.67
Future Teachers of America	8.60
Chess Club	30.00
Future Homemakers of America	44.15
Drama Club (deficit)	65.78

Athletic Account -- 1967

Balance on hand January 1, 1967 \$ 498.57

Receipts:

Admissions to basketball games	786.25
Admissions to football games	1,217.40
Transportation fees	310.37
Small School Tournament	35.25

Total receipts: \$ 2,349.27

Total Cash:

\$ 2,847.84

Disbursements:

Transportation:	
Chapin & Sadler	711.70
Eugene Miller	275.41
Quentin Weaver	593.43
Glenn Matthews	149.15

\$ 1,729.69

Police:

John Ware	62.50
William Young	12.00
Niles Stone	34.50

Clesson Field	6.00
Joseph Morgan	9.00
Stanley Wickey	<u>15.00</u>
	\$ 139.00

Printing, league expenses and meetings, team expenses at State meets	406.03
Total Disbursements:	\$ 2,274.72

Balance on hand January 1, 1968	\$573.12
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Special Funds - Class Gifts

Class of 1965	\$ 125.42
Class of 1966	239.92
Class of 1967	312.24

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

NAME	SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED
Mr. George M. Leonard	Principal	Bridgewater State College, B. S. Ed. Boston University, M. Ed.
Mrs. Margrette M. Bassett	Typing Office Practice Shorthand	Brevard Junior College Greensboro College for Women, B. A. *Syracuse University
Mr. Charles Bradshaw	English Latin	University of Mass., B. A.
Miss Karen L. Clark	French	Bridgewater State College, B. S. Ed.
Mrs. Patricia M. Conroy	English Librarian	North Adams State College, M. Ed. Keuka College, B. A.
Mr. John T. Callahan	Asst. Prin. Chemistry Physical Science	Keene State College, B. Ed. Boston University, M. Ed. *University of Conn. *Holy Cross *University of California
Mr. H. Nelson Dyer	Math Algebra I & II	University of Mass., B. S. Ch. E.
Mr. Roger W. O. Genest	English	Keene State College, B. E. *University of Massachusetts

Mr. William R. Giles	Biology Science	Olivet College, B.A. *Mich. State University
Mrs. Helen B. Gorzocoski	Math	University of Mass., B.A.
Mrs. Beryle Hammond	Home Economics	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Mass.
Mr. John Hogan	Math Industrial Arts	North Adams State College, B.S. Ed. *Keene State College
Mrs. Lois A. Humphrey	Physical Ed.	Sargent College, B.U., B.S. *Springfield College
Mr. Thomas K. Krehbiel	Math	Union College, B.S. *Boston University *University of Washington
Mr. Richard W. Lawson	General Science Driver Ed.	University of Mass., B.S. *Stockbridge
Mrs. Sylvia S. Liebenow	English	Middlebury College, B.A. *University of Massachusetts *Greenfield Community College
Mr. Richard J. Martin	Typing, Economics Business Law	Husson College, B.S.
Mr. William S. Messer	Director Of Athletics Government	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont *University of Mass.

Mr. John R. Miles	Physics Science	N. Adams State Teachers' College, B. S. E. Michigan State University, M. A. T.
Mrs. Jeanne L. Mitchell	Home Economics	University of Mass., B. S. *N. Y. State U. College of Ed.
Mrs. Nancy Moore	Speech Literature	Cedarville College, B. A. Central State College, B. S. *Western Reserve University
Mr. John A. Peters	U. S. History Problems of Democracy	Trinity College, B. A. Harvard University, M. Ed. *Fitchburg State College *University of Mass.
Mr. Ernest P. Pike	Guidance Director	Fitchburg State Teachers College, B. S. E., M. E. *Boston University *Keene Teachers College *University of Mass. *University of Colorado *University Extension *Assumption College
Mr. Paul Sprague	Social Studies Physical Ed.	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. Ed. University of Mass., M. S.
Mr. Robert Stevens	Social Studies Physical Ed.	Keene State College, B. A.

Mrs. Barbara W. Stewart	English Guidance	Temple University, A. B. Pennsylvania State University, M. Ed. *Columbia University *Montclair State College *Seton Hall University
Miss Dorothy C. Taylor	Literature English	Calvin Coolidge College, A. B., A. M. *Boston University *Boston College *University of California
Mr. John C. Trumbull	Social Studies World History Problems of Democracy	University of Mass., B. A., M. Ed.
Mrs. Betty J. Turner	Vocal Music	Lynchburg College, A. B. *Madison College
Mr. Linwood R. Wallace	Industrial Arts	Gorham State Teachers College, B. S. *University of Maine *University of Rhode Island
Mr. Charles E. Welner	Math Geometry Algebra	University of Maine, B. S. University of New Hampshire, M. S. T. *Michigan State University
Mrs. Thelma K. Yeager	English Latin	Bates College, B. A. Boston University, M. A. *University of Mass. Summer School

Mrs. Ruth M. Young	Bookkeeping I & II Business Math	American International College, B.S., M.A. *University of Mass.
Mrs. Elizabeth Schumaker	Physical Ed.	Westbrook Jr. College, A.A. Sargent College, B.S.
Mr. August C. Mello	Art Supervisor	Mass. College of Art., B.S. Ed.
Mr. Douglas G. Weeks	Instrumental Music Director	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *Gorham State College *University of Massachusetts
		*Additional Courses
Principal's Secretary -		Mrs. Madeline Trumbull
Guidance Secretary -		Miss Gertrude Lauber
School Nurse -		Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R.N.
School Doctor -		Dr. Ansel B. True

Cafeteria Workers -

Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head
Mrs. Nellie Barber
Mrs. Olive Stone
Mrs. Ada Field

Custodians -

Mr. Ning Der, Head
Mr. John D. Ware

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

During the past year both the junior and senior bands were very active.

The junior band is primarily a training ground for the senior band, but its members do take part in concerts. Two concerts were presented with the Keene, N. H. junior high band. One was held in Keene and one at Pioneer Valley School. The junior band also took part in the annual spring concert and marched in Northfield on Memorial Day. They finished the calendar year by performing at a Christmas assembly at Pioneer.

One of the senior band's main activities was raising money for new uniforms. To raise money the band sponsored many projects including concerts, a car wash, food sales, and even a chicken bar-b-que. Due to the hard work of the fund raising committee, and the excellent cooperation of the people of the various towns, enough money was raised, added to the money appropriated by the school committee, to purchase new uniforms.

During the spring, the band presented its first "pops concert." The concert was a success and played to a full house. An exchange with Edward Little High School of Auburn, Maine added to the band's concert schedule. The Edward Little Band performed here one weekend and the Pioneer Band travelled to Auburn to present a concert there two weeks later. The senior band also took part in the spring concert and marched in Northfield, Bernardston and Warwick for Memorial Day observance.

The band began the fall season in its new uniforms performing at the Greenfield Fair. They also worked hard to present a different half-time show at each football game.

There are 120 students involved in the instrumental program at Pioneer. Both bands have only two rehearsals a week. There is a dance band formed from each of these bands in addition to numerous small instrumental groups, that rehearse regularly. The instrumental director is in need of assistance in the elementary program so that he may devote more time to the program at Pioneer.

Pioneer Valley School also initiated a course in music history and appreciation open to any junior or senior. A cultural enrichment course of this kind is a very necessary and valuable con-

tribution to the school program.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUGLAS G. WEEKS
Director of Instrumental Music

REPORT OF THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

The vocal music program at P. V. R. S. is centered in two areas. These areas are the General Music Classes and the two performing groups.

The General Music classes are required for all the seventh and eighth graders. These classes meet for one fifty minute period a week. There are eight different classes.

The program for the General Music classes is centered around four areas: singing, appreciation, fundamentals and creativity. A definite course of study is being developed, (It is only in the broadest form at this time). Around two general themes. The theme for the seventh grade "Music and Composers of Other Countries". The theme for the eighth grade "Music and Composers of Our Country." Music of the seasons and holidays are used in both classes.

There are two performing groups. The Glee Club for Junior High students which meets for one fifty minute period per week. The chorus for Senior High students which meets for two fifty minute periods a week. A credit is given to the Senior High chorus members for each year of active participation. Active participation means attendance at all regular rehearsals, extra rehearsals and performances.

Since membership in both performing groups is open to all students it would be good if a special singing group could be formed by selecting the best voices for this group and keeping it a vocally balanced group. This should be done or else the high school chorus should be the selective singing group of the school. To serve the needs of the students P. V. R. S. should have both groups available for high school students.

There are the performing vocal music groups of the school. Their purposes are to become acquainted with a variety of music and to be able to sing with some competence three part music

(Junior High) and preferably four part music (Senior High). They should, also, have many opportunities for performing for their peers, parents and community groups.

The Senior Chorus of P. V. R. S. had an exchange concert. This concert was with Greenfield High School. The concert was performed twice; once as an assembly for P. V. R. S. students and an evening performance for the public at Greenfield High School.

The spring production for the performing groups was "A Night on Broadway."

The Senior Chorus sang for Baccalaureate, Graduation and a Thanksgiving Assembly. The Chorus in cooperation with the Drama Club produced "A Houtenanny Christmas" for the Christmas assembly.

Also, for the first time students of P. V. R. S. chorus auditioned for the Western District chorus. There were selected to perform with the District Chorus at Pittsfield High School on January 20th. Two of the three were selected to audition for All-State chorus.

P. V. R. S. has a "potential" for developing good performing groups, but more time is needed by the direction to develop this potential. Extra time is needed for sectional rehearsals and working with additional voices. It might be noted that the vocal music teacher is employed on a 40% basis, two days a week and only 12% of that time is given to the performing groups.

The number of students in the required General Music classes are:

7th Grade	94
8th Grade	107
Total	201

The number of students in the elective performing groups are:

Junior High Glee Club	40
Senior High Chorus	44
Total	84

I continue to find my work at P. V. R. S. challenging and satisfying.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY J. TURNER
Music Director

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

I submit herein my sixth annual report as Union Art Supervisor.

This year the seventh and eighth graders, with whom I meet twice a week, worked on the following projects; water color painting, wood cuts, portrait drawing, architectural design, landscape sketching and paper mache masks.

With the ninth - twelfth grade art class, who also meet twice a week, I covered water color painting, wood cuts, life drawing and oil painting.

I mentioned in my elementary school reports to the individual towns of the Pioneer Valley Regional District that I strongly feel we need another teacher in our art department. The number of classes which I must teach makes an elaborate program impossible. This hinders progress in the elementary schools, but I feel we are doing an even greater injustice to our junior high and high school students. Those students who would consider a career in art, need more time in class, and the opportunity to work with a wider variety of medias and go into them in more depth. In this way they would be better equipped to compete with students from other high schools for acceptance into accredited art colleges. Currently we have no course in art appreciation. Such a course would be of great benefit not only to those interested in art as a career but to every student.

I sincerely thank Mr. Sheetz and Mr. Leonard for their courtesy and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST C. MELLO
Art Supervisor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

Physical examinations for pupils in grades 7 and 10 and for all new pupils were completed in the Fall by Dr. True. All pupils who participated in any sport were also examined.

Ear and Eye testing was completed for all pupils with proper

referrals made for those who failed either test.

A Flu clinic was held for school personnel who desired to take advantage of it; each person paid for his own shot.

Home Nursing was taught for 16 weeks.

A new Litmus eye machine was purchased, by the school union upon request of the school nurses, which makes the screening tests more accurate and reliable.

During the Summer I attended the University of Massachusetts. The Nursing Department offered a course, especially for School Nurses called "The Changing Role of the School Nurse", which I took for professional improvement.

I wish to thank all the school personnel for their cooperation and patience especially during the eye, ear and physical examination time.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY STREETER, R.N.
School Nurse

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee:

I have examined all students of the seventh and tenth grades; transfer students; boys participating in football, track, cross country, and basketball; and girls playing volley ball and basketball. In the spring, I will examine the boys who play baseball and who are members of the track team; and the girls who play soft ball.

I attended all home football games and administered any necessary first aid. It should be noted that there was a minimum of injuries this year.

As in previous years, I conducted an influenza immunization program for the teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.
School Physician

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

January 1, 1967 - December 31, 1967

Balance on hand December 31, 1966

Capital	\$ 1323.99
Operational	56699.16
School Lunches	2017.73
Athletic Fund	1297.30
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	3407.42
National Defense Education Act	
Title V for Equipment	587.03
Title III	124.89
Title VI	147.00
Reserve for Maturing Debt	
(Savings Deposits)	28721.88
Federal Funds for Work Study Program	102.97
Trust Funds, Savings Deposit	340.16
Trust Funds, cash	<u>11.70</u> \$ 94781.23

Receipts - Capital

Reimbursement and aid on construction	\$ 44695.17
Interest on savings deposits	1173.17
Town of Bernardston assessment	10269.83
Town of Leyden assessment	3546.42
Town of Northfield assessment	19283.64
Town of Warwick assessment	3841.95
	82810.18

Operational:

Reimbursements for transportation	46204.00
Ditto (State Wards)	135.00
Town of Bernardston assessment	94948.76
Town of Leyden assessment	21616.58
Town of Northfield assessment	159524.86
Town of Warwick assessment	28457.26
Tuition:	
State Wards	1730.64
Ann Whitten	543.84
Sarah Whitten	543.84
Town of Gill	14638.76
Town of Greenfield	917.38

Linden Hill Sch.	53.84	
Chas. Alexander	<u>107.68</u>	18535.98

Miscellaneous:

Evening Practical			
Arts	262.00		
Sale materials	291.00		
Use Building	110.00		
Sale equipment			
(Vo. Ag)	654.00		
Driver Ed. Fees	900.00		
Ins. Theft	407.50		
Other	328.07	2952.57	372375.01
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)			823.00
George Barden Fund (E. P. A.)			675.00
Title III (by transfer from Title V)			1146.03
Distribution of Federal Funds			591.65
Title V (by transfer from Title III)			1154.56
School Lunches			27474.43
Athletic Fund			2349.27
Trust Funds, interest on savings dep.			16.16
Federal Funds for Work study program		500.00	489915.29
Total Receipts and Holdings			<u>\$ 584696.52</u>

Disbursements:

Capital

Interest due May 1	385.00	
Interest due Nov. 1	330.00	
Interest due Jan. 1	8937.50	
Interest due July 1	8937.50	
Redemption of bonds 2.20	5000.00	
Redemption of bonds 2.75	65000.00	88590.00

Operational:

Administration	13147.75	
Instruction	248381.64	
Other Services	55224.22	
Operation and Maint.	40807.98	
Fixed charges	6109.47	
Acquisition of Equip.	6892.78	370563.84
Temporary Remodeling, Vo. Ag.		15002.71
School Lunches		28198.95
Athletic Association		2161.17
George Barden Funds (Vo. Ag.)		4074.83
National Defense Act Title III		
Transfer to Title V		1154.56
Other disbursements		100.49
National Defense Act Title V		
Transfer to Title III		1146.03
Other disbursements		401.70

Fed. Funds for Works Study Program		
Payroll	31.90	
Refunded to Comm. of Mass.	571.07	602.97
George Barden Funds (E.P.A.)		675.00
Total Disbursements		\$512671.85

Balance on hand December 31, 1967		
Capital	1173.17	
Operational	43507.62	
School Lunches	1293.21	
Athletic Fund	1485.40	
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	155.99	
National Defense Ed. Act:		
Title III	607.52	
Title V	193.86	
Title VI	147.00	
Reserve for Maturing Debt		
(Savings Deposits)	23092.88	
Trust Funds, Savings Deposit	340.16	
Trust Funds, cash	27.86	72024.67
		<u>\$584696.52</u>

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING
Treasurer

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT - 1967

	App. 1967	Spent	Budget 1968
1000 Administration	\$ 13517.36	\$ 13147.75	\$ 15980.00
2000 Instruction	256299.00	248381.64	297300.00
3000 Other Services	54500.00	55224.22	61525.00
4000 Operation and Main- tenance	38727.50	40807.98	45250.00
5000 Fixed Charges	6225.00	6109.47	7455.00
7000 Acquisition of Fixed Assets	<u>8700.00</u>	<u>6892.78</u>	<u>10900.00</u>
TOTALS	\$377968.86	\$370563.84	\$438410.00

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

OPERATING BUDGET

1968

Administration	\$ 15980.00
Instruction	297300.00
Other Services	61525.00
Operating & Maintenance of Plant	45250.00
Fixed Charges	7105.00
Interest on Temporary Loan	350.00
Acquisition of Equipment	<u>10900.00</u> \$ 438410.00

Less the following credits:

Anticipated Revenue	
Transportation	\$ 46339.00
Tuition	18535.98
Reimbursement (E. P. A.)	675.00
Evening Practical Arts	262.00
Driver Education Fees	900.00
Miscellaneous	<u>653.31</u> 67365.29
Appropriation from Surplus	<u>15000.00</u> <u>82365.29</u>

Net Operating Budget to be asked from Towns \$ 356044.71

Apportionment between Towns:

Bernardston	113722.72	
Leyden	26777.74	
Northfield	184468.85	
Warwick	<u>31075.40</u>	356044.71

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

CAPITAL BUDGET

1968

Maturing debt, May		\$ 5000.00
Maturing debt, July		65000.00
Interest \$30000 May	\$ 330.00	
Interest 25000 November	275.00	
Interest 585000 January	8043.75	
Interest 585000 July	<u>8043.75</u>	<u>16692.50</u>
		\$ 86692.50

Against this amount we are applying:	
State Aid Building reimbursement	\$ 44695.17

Appropriate From:

E & D Surplus	
1967 Savings Interest	\$ 1173.17

Savings Withdrawals:

Franklin Savings Inst.	3148.50	
Boston Five Cents Savings	<u>733.82</u>	<u>5055.49</u>
		\$ 49750.66
		\$ 36941.84

1968 Shares

Bernardston	27.8%	\$ 10269.83
Leyden	9.6%	3546.42
Northfield	52.2%	19283.64
Warwick	10.4%	<u>3841.95</u>
Town Appropriation		\$ 36941.84

Savings Account	\$ 23092.88
1968 Withdrawals	<u>3882.32</u>
	\$ 19210.56

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH

1967

Net worth January 1, 1967		\$ 2031.40
Opening cash balance	\$ 104.02	
Receipts:		
Sales to children	\$ 19699.65	
Sales to adults	913.05	
Sale of milk	336.85	
U.S.D.A. claims recd.	6414.09	
Other	110.89	
Total receipts	\$ 27474.53	
Available cash	\$ 27578.55	
Disbursements:		
Food	18903.78	
Labor	8208.60	
Other	1126.06	
Total disbursements	\$ 28238.44	
Closing cash balance	- 659.89	
Closing cash balance	- 659.89	
Inventory	424.49	
U.S.D.A. Claims recd.	2223.75	
Net worth December 31, 1967		\$ 1988.35

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk for one year, Town Treasurer for one year, Tax Collector for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one Elementary School Committee member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, one Planning Board member for five years, three Constables for three years, one Constable for three years (a resident of Northfield Farms).

And by ballot the answer to the following question:

"Shall certain provisions of chapter thirty-two B of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town or district to provide a plan of contributory group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this town?"

The polls will open at ten A. M. and close at eight P. M.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 5, 1968, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the Reports of the Several Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1968; and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1968.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town or act thereon.

Article 4. To see whether the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials for the calendar year 1968, raise and appropriate the sums of money therefor and raise and appropriate further sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for other necessary charges.

The Finance Committee recommends as follows:

Moderator Salary	\$	25.00	Constable, Special Police	\$	2400.00
Expense		15.00	Pay, Exp., & Equip.		
Finance Committee Expense		50.00	Fence Viewers, Field Drivers, and		
Selectmen		1700.00	Pound Keeper		25.00
Chairman		600.00	Fire Dept. Salaries		500.00
Other members		550.00	Operating Acct.		4500.00
Expense		650.00	Fire Dept. New Equipment		1300.00
Clerk		1600.00	Public Safety		50.00
Town Accountant		1200.00	Highway Superintendent Expense		200.00

Expense	135.00	Highway Dept. Sick Leave,	
Treasurer Salary	1200.00	Vacations, Holidays	1800.00
Expense	500.00	Tools for Highway Work	400.00
Tax Collector Salary	1200.00	Snow Removal	10000.00
Expense	800.00	Highways, Bridges and Railings	3000.00
Foreclosure Costs-Tax Title	500.00	Highway Bounds, Surveys	
Protection Tax Title-Prop.	25.00	and Street List	50.00
Assessors Salary	1475.00	Sidewalks	500.00
Chairman	525.00	Street Lighting	6900.00
Each Member	475.00	Land Damage	600.00
Expense	600.00	Welfare Board	275.00
Town Clerk Salary	750.00	Chairman	125.00
Expense	100.00	Other Members	75.00
Legal Expense	350.00	Inspection of Animals	450.00
Election and Registration	2000.00	Inspection of Meat	
Planning Board Expense	200.00	and Slaug.	50.00
Town Hall Maintenance	6000.00	Athol-Franklin Regional	
Soldiers Relief	2000.00	Vocational School District	555.55
School Committee		Maintenance Athletic Field	400.00
Salary	375.00	Swimming Pool	1300.00
Each Member	125.00	Town Reports	1200.00
PVRS Committee		Memorial Day and Veterans	
Salary	375.00	Day Observances	350.00
Each Member	125.00	Fire & Casualty Insurance	7500.00
Elementary Schools	181177.00	Chapter 32 B Funds	4000.00
PVRSD Capital Budget	19283.64	Town Clock	100.00
PVRSD Operation Budget	184488.00	Alexander Hall	200.00
Fire Dept. Hose & Equip.	1300.00	Cemeteries	2600.00
Water Holes	400.00	Fire Station Bonds	
Hydrant Service	500.00	Interest	478.00

Fire Station and Town			
Garage Maintenance	2000.00	Maturing Debt	3000.00
Tree, Trim and Plant	1200.00	Interest	100.00
Combat Dutch Elm	3000.00	Discontinued School	
Insect and Pest Control	850.00	Houses	100.00
Wire Inspector	50.00	Public Assistance	62000.00
Dog Officer and Expense	250.00	Welfare Administration	2670.55
Civil Defense	100.00		
Public Health	2000.00		
Nurse and Substitute	5730.00		
Part-time Nurse	1500.00		
Expense	670.00		
Car Expense	500.00		
Clerk	2500.00		

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or employ a clerk, and to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to pay the salary of such clerk or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto. The Finance Committee recommends \$1100.00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$4950.00 and transfer \$18,150.00 from unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$6750.00 for the Town's share, and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$20,250.00 for the state and county's share.

Article 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$2500.00 and transfer \$5000.00.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Machinery Fund a sum of money for the Machinery Maintenance Account, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from the Machinery Fund.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$150.00.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$7892.00.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund", for the Dickinson Memorial Library, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$2500.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept any sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing state aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 and to appropriate the exact sum so received for its public library or libraries, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$2000.00

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Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$200.00.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Highway Dept. dump truck and related equipment, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.
The Finance Committee recommends \$9000. 00.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new pickup for Highway Dept. use, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.
The Finance Committee recommends \$2200. 00.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept a parcel of land adjacent to Northfield Farms Cemetery from Western Mass. Electric Co., or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to dispose of a parcel of land adjacent to Northfield Farms Cemetery, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.
The Finance Committee recommends \$5000. 00.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1968 Tax Rate, or act thereon.
The Finance Committee recommends \$30, 000. 00.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to change the term of office of the Tax Collector from one year to three years, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100. 00 each for perpetual care of the following cemetery lots from the respective people or families.

Lot #48	Northfield Farms Cemetery	From Mrs. George H. Pratt
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Lot #32 Mt. Hermon Cemetery
 Lots#167&168 West Northfield Cemetery
 Lot #56 1/2 Mt. Hermon Cemetery
 Lots#144&149 West Northfield Cemetery
 Lot #47 Mt. Hermon Cemetery
 Lot#79 Northfield Farms Cemetery

From Julia Pierce, Edward Blake &
 Barbara Blake
 From Hartley L. & Flora M. Bosworth
 From Mrs. Jessie H. Hyde
 From Estate of LeRoy R. Barnes
 From Julia M. Stark
 From Lawrence A. Comins

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to the Stabilization Fund or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.
 The Finance Committee recommends transfer \$10,000.00.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield and East Northfield; Field Library, Northfield Farms; and Barnes' Service Station, West Northfield, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-ninth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight.

SELECTMEN OF NORTFIELD

Dwight P. Stearns, Chairman
 Stanley J. Powers
 Herbert H. Streeter

A true copy. Attest:

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